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NEW SERIES—VOLUME 44.—NO. 36.

Dr. L. L. Carpenter Is New Editor Of The Biblical Recorder

New Editor is an Alumnus of Wake Forest College And Teacher and Preacher of Wide Experience

Dr. Levy Leonidas Carpenter, graduate of Wake Forest College, and at present professor of Bible at Baylor University, was recently elected editor



DR. L. L. CARPENTER

of the Biblical Recorder, Baptist state paper of North Carolina. The editors, as well as Baptists of the South, feel fortunate that the Biblical Recorder is able to secure this outstanding man to direct the destinies of one of the leading Southern Baptist papers.

Dr. Carpenter succeeds Dr. John Calvin Slemph, who resigned several

months ago to accept a position with the American Baptist Publication Society. Dr. Carpenter is a native of Carpenter, N. C. In addition to his college degree he is a Th.D. graduate of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary and Ph.D. of Yale University. He has held various prominent pastorates, was a chaplain in World War I; held the professorship of Bible in the University of South Carolina, Furman University, Limestone College and Baylor University.

Writing and editing will be no new thing for Dr. Carpenter. He is the author of Primitive Christian Application of the Doctrine of the Servant, and co-author of Introduction to Religious Education.

The editor of The Baptist Record is particularly glad to welcome Dr. Carpenter into the editorial estate, because when we were one of the greenest of freshmen he was a dignified senior, but never too dignified to be a friend to a lonesome freshman.

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Lay By In Store

Lawson H. Cooke

“And the seven years of dearth began to come . . . and the dearth was in all lands; but in all the land of Egypt there was plenty.”

There is a timely suggestion in this incident of many centuries ago:

The religious group, or organization, or movement, that is lured by easy money to unreasonably expand its activities is playing with fire, and will certainly be burnt. Never has there been a more propitious time to pay debts, or a more dangerous time to make new debts.

It is obviously so sensible as to seem hardly necessary to suggest that, during these years of plenty, Southern Baptists should accumulate surpluses against hard times which will inevitably set in with the close of this war. Without such reserves, Southern Baptists may find themselves in a very embarrassing position. After the war, the whole world will be hungry for God, and the gates will be thrown wide open to the gospel, but Southern Baptists may not be in a financial position to take advantage of the situation.

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Navy Chaplaincy New Age Limit—Word has just reached us that the navy will accept as chaplain applicant ministers who have not as yet reached their 50th birthday. This makes the navy age limit similar to that of the army in the upper age bracket.

The Farewell Of A Great Editor

Editor Victor I. Masters Retires After Twenty-one Years

On page one of the Western Recorder of September 24, Dr. Victor I. Masters, for 21 years editor of the Western Recorder, had his final message as editor. We quote the closing paragraph:

“Still better words for us to utter are these of Paul: ‘Be ye steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as you know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord.’ And better still are the words of our Lord, ‘Because I live, ye shall live also.’

“VICTOR I. MASTERS,
“Retiring Editor.”

“Service period:

“Feb. 1, 1921-Oct. 1, 1942.”

Dr. Masters plans to live in Florida. His successor, Dr. John D. Freeman, will begin his work on November first. During October, Business Manager L. C. Ray will look after the editorial duties.

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Dr. Walter L. Johnson Accepts Philadelphia Pastorate

Dr. Walter L. Johnson has accepted the call of the First Baptist Church of Philadelphia, and is to enter on the pastoral tasks there October 1.



DR. WALTER L. JOHNSON

Dr. Johnson, a native of London, Kentucky, began his college preparation at Cumberland College, Williamsburg, Kentucky, and later entered Georgetown College, where he received the A.B. degree. After this he did graduate work in the field of English Literature and Religious Education in the University of Louisville and the University of Kentucky.

Entering the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary at Louisville in 1929, he two years later received from this institution the degree of Th.B. (Bachelor in Theology), and the following year that of Th.M. (Master in Theology). Being chosen by Dr. W. Hersey Davis as Fellow in the Greek Department, he continued in this position, teaching and assisting in the Greek classes of the Seminary, for three years while pursuing courses leading to the Ph.D. (Doctor in Philosophy) degree, which he received in 1936.

During student days in Kentucky, Dr. Johnson was pastor of Clear Creek, Old Hickory, Glencoe, Mt. Zion and Port Royal churches. On leaving the Seminary in 1935, he was called to the First Baptist Church of Mt. Airy, North Carolina, and continued in this pastorate until 1938.

Going with the Foreign Mission Board in 1933, Dr. Johnson for two years studied the Spanish language and customs while residing in Mexico, preparatory to teaching in the Mexican Baptist Theological Seminary at El Paso, Texas, where for the last two years he has been professor of Religious Education and Greek New Testament, teaching there in the Spanish language.

Both in the pastorate and while teaching in seminaries, Dr. Johnson has been very much interested in the fields of Religious Education and the Greek New Testament, and these received an appreciative emphasis in the training of preachers in the Seminary at El Paso, where the Department of Religious Education especially was much enlarged

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Dr. J. P. Kirkland Resigns New Albany Pastorate

On the advice of his physician, Dr. J. P. Kirkland, pastor of the First Baptist Church of New Albany since 1926, has resigned and plans to accept a pastorate where the work will be less strenuous.



DR. J. P. KIRKLAND

His work as a pastor and as a citizen has been outstanding. Not only have all departments of the church made marked progress but during the years of depression every church bond was paid on time and in full, no interest nor principal reductions being asked or accepted.

Concerning his resignation, the New Albany Gazette said editorially:

We call to your attention the announcement of the resignation of Dr. J. P. Kirkland as pastor of the First Baptist Church of New Albany on the advice of his physician, to accept less strenuous work as pastor of the smaller, though equally important, Walnut Baptist Church in Tippah county.

While Dr. Kirkland will remain in the community for a few weeks yet, his departure is so imminent that we feel as if he were already lost to us and feel his loss keenly for he has been more than just the pastor of the First Baptist Church.

Dr. Kirkland is first of all a real man—one who has stood up for and stood out for the things he believe in and had gone “all out” to bring to pass those same things here in this community in which he has made his home since 1926.

As a man and a citizen of New Albany, he has meant far more to the community than most realize, and in all probability it will not be until he has gone that his real worth will be evaluated by those who have leaned upon his strong arm for moral and physical support and for the leadership that he has manifested at all times.

His record of achievements, in addition to the commendable job done in the darkest days of the late depression when he saved his church from defaulting on the bonds outstanding and then past due, include his 14-year record as chairman, and many times almost the sole organization, of the Union County Chapter of the American Red Cross; his vice-presidency and later presidency of Blue Mountain College Board of Trustees; his service as president on two different occasions of the New Albany Rotary Club; his assistance in the organization, and service as first and only president until this year, of the North Mississippi Game Preserve, commonly known as “Darden Lakes”; his interest and unstinted effort in seeking the betterment of the agricultural interests of the section through conservation measures he advocated; his unflinching and unflinching faithfulness to his friends in need and in distress; his generalship as chairman of the Centennial Celebration committee of which he was the prime moving spirit; these and all the myriads of other things he has done to further the interests of the American Way of Life in New Albany and in Union county, add up to mark his total worth.

But this evaluation of this man would not be complete without reference to his ability to bear up, his unending sense of humor and his kindness for his fellow man, in recent months when his body

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Sparks and Splinters

Too Much Entertainment—From The Intelligencer-Leader, July 3rd: "A group of ministers asked a young soldier how they might better entertain the soldiers. He replied: 'We have been entertained to death. Give us the Gospel.'"

Indianola: During the associational year to date forty-one members have been received, nineteen by baptism and twenty-two by letter. We have lost twenty-one by letter and none by death, making a net gain of twenty members.—Bulletin.

On the morning of September 17 Dr. and Mrs. A. R. Crabtree left Brownsville, Texas, for Panama. There they expect to secure passage for Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. They have left their three children in this country. One is a teacher, the other two are students in college. Several times during the past months Dr. and Mrs. Crabtree have planned to leave, but each time their passage was requisitioned by the army and they had to wait.

Pearl River County Association will meet for one day only, instead of two days, as heretofore. They will meet Thursday, October 8, beginning at ten o'clock. They will have a morning, afternoon and night session.

Juniper Grove church, Pearl River county, had an all-day service last Sunday, honoring Rev. J. P. Culpepper on his 75th birthday.

Rev. W. A. Frye has resigned his field of churches, Phebo, Cedar Bluff and Enon. He has been called to the full-time pastorate at Barton, Ala., and expects to begin his work there on October 15.

Because of conditions over which we have no control the Lawrence County Association will meet only one day. This will be Wednesday, Oct. 7. Messengers from each of the churches will take notice of this change. We will continue till all the work is done.—B. E. Phillips, moderator.

Rev. Jack Cranford, Jr., has been called as pastor of the Franklin Baptist Church in Warren county. This church is a few miles west of Flora.

Second church, Greenville, has had nineteen additions in the last three Sundays, and eighty-one additions since February 1.

The first church, so far as we know, to take a census in preparation for the Statewide Evangelistic Crusade, is the Second Baptist Church of Greenville.

We enjoyed having Rev. J. H. Kyzar of Laurens, S. C., with us here at Arcola for our annual revival meeting. It was a joy indeed to have him with the church, and the people greatly enjoyed his sermons. In addition to the new members who came, the church was edified by the good gospel sermons preached. We shall continue to be grateful for his coming. Things are moving on in a good way on our new field and we are enjoying getting acquainted in these parts. We shall be happy to have you stop with us when you come this way, and if there is anything we can do for the cause let us know.—J. W. T. Siler.

I've just reread the article, "A Sailor Makes a Good Suggestion," in The Record of Aug. 5. I want his name and address. I'd like to send him my Baptist Records. Last winter I sent some to Fort Blanding and asked an officer whose name had been in The Record to let me know if they would like for me to send mine there after I read them. I never heard from it. Later I sent some to Keesler Field with the same request. If you can send me the name of a boy who would like to get mine I'll be glad to send them as soon as I read them. They are too good to burn.—Mrs. A. J. Lee, 309 W 5th Street, Oil City, Pa.

While earnings of most big industries showed a thirty-five percent drop last year, the four biggest liquor distillers in the country showed a forty percent increase—\$14,814,000, after deducting taxes.

The many friends of Dr. Geo. P. White will be glad to read the following note from him. He writes from his home at Fountain Inn, S. C.: "Beginning the second Sunday in July I preached 10 Sundays without missing, holding two meetings in the meantime, with 21 additions in one meeting and 11 in the other. All of this, of course, has been supply work. I supplied three Sundays for the First Presbyterian Church at Union, S. C. They like good Baptist preaching—so they said. . ."

Holcomb church, Grenada county, has gone from one-quarter time to one-half time. Rev. W. F. Garner is pastor.

Notice: The things you wish you could have done—now you never can? But you can. INVEST in a CHRISTIAN STUDENT and through that life see your own dreams come true. It would add a thrill to life for you to use some of your money to see a LIVING INVESTMENT witnessing for Christ. I know three students who need aid. Will give careful confidential attention to inquiries from people interested in making a vital investment. Address "Student's Friend," Care Baptist Record.

A W. M. S. has recently been organized at Holcomb.

Rev. Clifton Perkins has resigned from the Mt. Vernon-Artesia field (Lowndes county), and is now a student at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.

Bruce: Rev. Percy Ray of Myrtle and Home Board evangelist, closed a ten nights' tent meeting here, with fourteen conversions. The town was awakened, the churches strengthened, and the people in general revived. Brother Ray is indeed a great instrument for good—sound, zealous and consecrated worker.—Reporter.

Recent visitors to The Baptist Record office included the following: Rev. Troy Prince, Clinton; Rev. J. Hubert Hammett, Clinton; Dr. L. T. Lowrey, Blue Mountain; Rev. J. M. Metts, Pickens; Percy Greer, Jackson; Dr. L. L. Carpenter, Rallich, N. C.; Dr. W. L. Holcomb, Prentiss; Rev. J. B. Smith, Hollandale; Rev. W. H. Wood, Brandon; Rev. A. B. Pierce, Crystal Springs; Miss Mary Case, Brookhaven; Billy Horne, Monticello; Paul King McGan, Jr., Monticello; Rev. D. O. Horne, Monticello; Dr. J. P. Kirkland, New Albany.

Bruce: While Pastor L. F. Haire conducted the funeral services of J. L. McPhail Sunday at Sabougle, Brother E. C. Williams filled the pulpit at 11:00 a. m. Brother Williams and Miss Carolyn Madison are with Brother Haire in a Sunday School Enlargement campaign.—Reporter.

Union: Rev. G. O. Parker, a former pastor of this church for nearly fourteen years, will be with us in a revival beginning Sunday, October 4, and continuing through Sunday, October 11.

Rev. E. S. Flynt, Biloxi, has accepted the chairmanship for District No. 13 in the Blue Mountain College Endowment Campaign, the first phase of which contemplates raising \$100,000.00 to endow the "Modena Lowrey Berry Professorship of Bible" at the college. Mr. Flynt's district includes Lamar, Forrest, Pearl River, Stone, Hancock, Harrison and Jackson counties.

"Gabriel and the Angels," by Theresa Townsend is published by the John C. Winston Company, Philadelphia. This is a book about a boy who had many troubles, like any fourteen-year-old boy or girl. It is not at all what you would expect it to be, but you will certainly enjoy it. It contains several stories in one. Some of them are: A story about a boy's school troubles; a love story, and just a good Christian story. You will get your money's worth. If you want a good book for young folks, this is it. Grownups will also like it. The price is \$2.00.—L. J. G.

October Associations

Sunflower—October 1, Fairview church.
Oktibbeha—October 1, Bethesda church.
Hinds-Warren—October 2, Van Winkle church.
Kemper—October 2, Salem church.
Liberty—October 3, Bucatunna church.
Jackson—October 6, Wade church.
Choctaw—October 6-7, Spring Hill church.
Tishomingo—October 6-7, Highland church.
Holmes—October 7-8, West church.
Lawrence—October 7-8, Carmel church.
Covington—October 8, Mt. Horeb church.
Lauderdale—October 8-9, Midway church.
Leake—October 8-9, Thomastown.
Neshoba—October 8-9, Hope church.
Pearl River—October 8-9, Picayune First church.
Perry—October 8-9, Beaumont church.
Winston—October 8-9, Hopewell church.
Mississippi—October 8-9, Galilee church.
Clarke—October 9, Enterprise church.

"Glimpses of Mission Lands Through the Eyes of a Ship Surgeon" was the subject of a thrilling address delivered Sunday night, Sept. 20, at First church, Senatobia, by Dr. R. W. Hooker, formerly a medical missionary of Southern Baptists in Mexico. Dr. Hooker for many years practiced in Memphis and has many friends in Mississippi. Holding the rank of commander in the naval reserve, he has been for several years, chief surgeon on some of the largest American vessels and has visited and done religious work in practically all the mission lands. His address was a ringing testimony to the effectiveness of foreign mission work and was greatly enjoyed by a large audience. He was the guest of his sister, Mrs. Sam C. Stevens, while in Senatobia.

Dr. H. L. Martin, chairman of the Tate County Evangelistic Committee, reports that the churches at Senatobia, Arkabutla and Coldwater have already voted to cooperate wholeheartedly in the Statewide Evangelistic Campaign and that the other 14 churches of the association are expected to do the same.

Williamsburg church, Covington county, has recently completed their Sunday school rooms, and even now need two more. The church through the newly organized W. M. U. has adopted the EVERY FAMILY Plan, and according to the pastor, many are reporting that they are enjoying their Baptist Record.

Southern Baptists have ten missionaries who were caught by war in the Philippine Islands. Eight of these were attending a language school in Baguio, carried on by the College of Chinese Studies, formerly located in Pekin, China. Two others were en route to the United States for their regular furlough. No definite news has come from our friends in Baguio, but from other sources we hear that they are probably interned in Camp Cummings. Miss Sallie James, a nurse, wrote during May that she was serving at the Presbyterian Hospital in Manila; was in good health, and had food and funds.

Bissell church, Lee county, paid \$311 for pastor's salary in 1941 instead of \$111, as was recently stated in The Baptist Record.

Crystal Springs: Dr. Hendon M. Harris will lead our revival meeting Oct. 4-11.—A. B. Pierce, pastor.

Williamsburg church, Covington county: Rev. T. R. Coulter led our revival meeting. There were three additions, and there have been five additions since that time. Our plans for the coming year include ten percent for the Cooperative Program.—W. Harold Anderson.

A brother in a northern state, in defense work, sends his subscription to The Record and says, "Since I am here where religion is very scarce and our Lord almost unknown, I am getting hungry for some Southern Baptist reading. I have not heard a real Baptist sermon since last March."

Tangipahoa church in Amite county continues to make progress under the leadership of Pastor A. W. Talbert. Twenty-one were baptized in August and one on September 13. The Sunday school and Training Union attendance continues good.

Released time for religious education, instituted in Buffalo, N. Y., a year ago as an experiment, is an established success. This conclusion was announced as 25 representatives of schools and members of the various faiths met to arrange the program for the coming year. Schools for religious training in Buffalo had an enrollment of 73,000, highest in the state. "This remarkable achievement would not have been possible except for the grand cooperation of every school. Not a single complaint was made by a school official during the whole year," said the Rev. Joseph E. Schrieder, chairman of the Inter-Faith Committee of Released-Time for Religious Education.

Harrisburg, Pa.—More than 1200 Harrisburg high school students have registered for the Weekday School of Religious Education, in which they will receive religious instructions in their own faiths during school time, one period each week, and receive school credit for the work.

Approximately 175 new students have enrolled at Mississippi College for this season. Among these are representatives from eleven states and two foreign countries. The number of freshmen total over 80, while the majority of the remaining newcomers are transfers from junior colleges. From Honduras, Central America, and Cuba, come two new students, while in the United States, the enrollment reaches from Washington to Texas and Florida.

WATER VALLEY CHURCH HONORS PASTOR W. C. HOWARD

Recently, while Pastor W. C. Howard was away, the deacons got out an anniversary edition of the church bulletin, honoring the pastor for six years' service as pastor and the beginning of his seventh. The deacons, the W. M. S. and the B. T. U. had messages of congratulations. From the bulletin we quote:



WILLIAM CLYDE HOWARD

to our dearly beloved pastor, Reverend William Clyde Howard, in appreciation for his six years of faithful, loyal, consecrated and progressive leadership.

"As a true servant of God he has carried on his work in a magnificent way, ever magnifying the Lord. During the time that he has been the leader of our flock we have made many progressive steps. Among these are the beautifying of our auditorium by general redecoration, new floor covering, installing of a new baptistry, a new oil painting with velvet hangings, and renovation of the organ. Sunday school rooms have been added, new concrete steps made and many other general repairs taken care of.

"Our financial system is a pride to any church, one whereby no pledges are taken, but gifts are made to the cause of the Lord.

"The attendance upon our prayer meetings on Wednesday evenings is a constant source of inspiration and greatly exceeds that of many of our larger sister churches.

"We are grateful for the fellowship that exists and the progress that we have made during these six years and ask that the Lord continue to shower His blessings upon us.

Mrs. William Clyde Howard

"Beulah Barker Howard, the capable and efficient wife of our pastor, is greatly loved by our entire membership, the warmth of her spirit and her radiant personality being felt by all with whom she comes in contact. Her eagerness to expound the truth through beautifully prepared and well rendered lessons on Sunday morning has endeared her to a large class of appreciative young matrons. Her entering actively into all phases of our church work makes her a most valuable asset to our church. As a homemaker and the mother of three fine sons, Clyde, Jr., Billy and Tommy, her influence is felt among our young people and she is as 'one who goeth about doing good.'

"K. R. Cofer, C. A. Hale, W. B. Hunter, P. L. Parker, E. R. Perkins, Jesse Riggs, C. C. Stacy, H. B. Vanderberg, C. H. Wood."

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PEARL RIVER BAPTISTS PLEDGE AID Baptist Association Will Support All Officers

The Pearl River County Baptist Association Executive Committee, representing 27 Baptist churches in Pearl River county with a membership of 6,290, in a regular meeting at the First Baptist Church, Picayune, Sept. 13, goes on record with the following:

"We endorse and pledge our full support as Christians and citizens to law enforcement, local, county, and national; and to back up city, county, and national officials in their efforts for law enforcement and appeal to every citizen to do the same."

DR. O. P. ESTES, Moderator.
JOHN S. RESTER, Clerk,
J. D. GRIFFIN, Clerk Pro-Tem.

NEW ALBANY APPRECIATES JOE ALLMAN

The First Baptist Church of New Albany was very fortunate in having Rev. Joe Allman, Newton, as their educational director through the spring and summer months. Many worthwhile things were accomplished under his leadership. He came to our church in May from Mississippi College.

His first effort was the enlargement of the Training Union work. On May 24 the Vacation Bible school began, which was one of the best in Mississippi and the best New Albany has conducted, with a daily attendance of 208 and 14 conversions. Along with this a youth revival was held. Rev. Riley Munday, Philadelphia, did the preaching and Joe led the singing and supervising the personal work. Ten of the young people surrendered for definite service, 12 came into church membership by baptism. He assisted in two other Bible schools, Neely's Chapel, the church's mission and a Negro Bible school of the New Albany Negro Baptist Church. There were eight conversions during these days. Each second and fourth Sunday he preached out at Neely's Chapel. In July he had a Methods Course taught at this place and organized a Baptist Training Union. In August he held a week's revival and was largely responsible for the organization of Neely Memorial Baptist Church. Aside from this he led the Intermediate Royal Ambassadors, taught one mission book for W. M. S., one class in Sunday school training, two classes in Baptist Training Union service, supervised taking of the church census, supervised the church roll being revised, and was director of both junior and adult choirs.

His influence and work with the young people of this town cannot be estimated.

One of the last things he did was to put on a campaign and raise sufficient funds to buy 300 new Broadman Hymnals for the church. Along with all his duties in his local church he also helped in five other revival meetings.

On September 15th he entered Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Kentucky. Joe is a most humble, deeply spiritual preacher, a great soul-winner, and New Albany church bespeaks for him a great future in the Kingdom work and deeply appreciates his work with the church.—Reporter.

DR. WALTER L. JOHNSON ACCEPTS PHILADELPHIA PASTORATE

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under his guidance. On accepting the call of the First Baptist Church at Philadelphia, Dr. and Mrs. Johnson resigned their work with the Foreign Mission Board.

Mrs. Johnson is also a graduate of Georgetown College, studied in Mexico for two years, and taught with her husband in the seminary at El Paso. They have two children, Paul, who is thirteen, and Kathleen, who is six.

The First Baptist Church, Philadelphia, is well known in the state and in the Southland for its consecration and efficiency in the work of the Kingdom. The Sunday school is standard, as is also the Training Union, the only one in the state, and one of thirty-nine in the Southern Baptist Convention.

In the coming of its new pastor, this church is looking forward to continued growth of high attainment in all phases of its life and work. Since the pastor has had considerable experience in three aspects of our denominational work, that of pastor, teacher, and missionary, the church anticipates that both pastor and people shall be interested in the larger work of the denomination in the state and throughout the world. A very lively interest is being manifested in the progress of the rural churches of the county. Both in Surry Association in North Carolina and in the El Paso Association in Texas, Dr. Johnson was superintendent of the Sunday School Association.

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DR. J. P. KIRKLAND RESIGNS NEW ALBANY PASTORATE

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has been wracked by pain and no relief was forthcoming.

That he may find rest and respite from the arduous duties that he has self-imposed upon himself as a full-fledged member of this community in his new undertaking is our hope for him as he goes forward to his new field of endeavor. We commend him to his new fellowship and sincerely regret to see him come to the parting of the ways in New Albany. We shall sorely miss him.

DEMOLISH DEBT!

Last spring the District Now Club Chairmen (men and women) held a meeting in this office. They certainly "meant business" about paying off Baptist Bonds. They were not so much concerned over saving "some" interest as in saving "all" interest.

The following resolution speaks right out:

"BE IT THE SENSE OF THE DISTRICT NOW CLUB CHAIRMEN AND CHAIRWOMEN. That it would seriously impair the work of the "NOW CLUB" to talk or even think of refinancing our bonds to obtain a lower rate of interest at this time. We favor an "all-out" effort to PAY our debts NOW!

"We respectfully request that this resolution be submitted to the next meeting of the Executive Committee of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board.

"Motion by Owen Cooper and seconded by W. D. Cole."

We hope and pray that more and more Mississippi Baptists will catch that aggressive spirit and act in the power and joy of it!

**GIVE TO THE NOW CLUB NOW!
DEMOLISH DEBT!**

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NO MORE DEBTS

For several months we have been asked time and again, "Do you think Mississippi Baptists will go into debt as soon as our present bonded debt is paid?"

Our answer is:

"NO!"

We base our answer on several facts:

First, our State Secretary has promised that he will try as best he can to prevent another venture into debt.

Second, our State Secretary is opposed to new debts.

Third, our State Secretary is named "Scotchie."

Fourth, we are constantly in touch with our state leaders. Every one of them is opposed to more debts.

Fifth, "a burned child dreads fire." For years our work has been hampered and hindered because of debt. Baptists want to go forward, and not backward. More debt would be a backward step.

—BR—

REMEMBER YOUR PASTOR

In the last year the salary of many Mississippi pastors has been cut. It should have been raised. Of course, most of them are getting the same number of dollars, but ten dollars today won't buy as much as it would a year ago.

On yesterday we compared some grocery prices. The present price of eleven staple items was \$3.81. A few months ago we bought the same items for \$2.52. This is an increase of 51%. In other words, it now takes \$1.51 to buy groceries that could be bought for \$1.00 a few months ago.

We appeal to churches to consider these facts as soon as possible, and adjust their pastor's salary upward at least enough to take care of the increase.

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CHAPLAIN COMMENDED

Chief of Chaplains Should Order, Not Hope

We commend the commanding officer at Camp Bowie, Texas, for the action described below. You will note that the Chief of Chaplains only HOPES that other exchanges will do likewise. Why not order them to do so?

"Clean reading. The commanding officer at Camp Bowie, Texas, has appointed a board to examine the character of magazines sold at post exchanges in order that he may eliminate from stock all that are deemed 'unfit.' This is an excellent move.

"It is hoped that all post exchanges may eliminate from their items for sale all magazines that are non-mailable. The post office department has revoked the second-class mailing permit of certain magazines and denied it to many more because of an editorial policy of pandering to the obscene, lewd, and indecent. This list would seem to be an unbiased basis for judgment."

—BR—

NECESSITIES DENIED—WHISKEY TO BE AVAILABLE

From Bread and Butter we quote:

"Despite the WPB's halting of distilled spirits production, however, no shortage of liquor will result. There are 550,000,000 gallons in warehouses—mostly bourbon and rye whiskey—and this will take care of normal consumption for more than four years.

"WPB has made it clear that it will not permit existing stocks of liquor to fall below a 'safe' replacement margin. If and when production of war alcohol reaches the desired goals, it is probable that distillers will be permitted to turn out gins, cordials and whiskeys for short intervals so that falling stocks can be replenished."

If we go much further in our protection of the whiskey business our country won't be worth fighting for.

When we are faced with shortages on every hand

it just doesn't make sense to stop production on needful things and at the same time plan to replace the liquor supply when it runs low.

Building materials, auto parts and other useful and needful things are denied our people, but if the whiskey supply gets low it is to be replenished.

How can we pray to God to bless a nation that is guilty of pampering poison while denying necessities?

—BR—

IS HE TOO OLD?

William M. Jeffers of the Union Pacific Railroad, has been appointed rubber czar. He is said to be sixty-six years of age. Had he been a Baptist preacher 95 out of 100 churches would not even consider him as pastor. He would be too old. So far as we know, the Baptist ministry is the only profession in which experience is considered a handicap.

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OUR SELECTED EDITORIAL

Each week we will publish what we consider one of the best editorials coming to our attention.—Editor.

"MOTHER" BERRY

So much had she been a part of, and a beneficent influence in the life of the Mid-South—and for so long—that at times it almost seemed that there could not be a day when "Mother" Berry would not be with us as a symbol of so many elements which contribute to make the worth-while life.

That time is at hand, though, and to us of The Commercial Appeal who had known her so well over the years, it is a little incredible that Mississippi's "grand old lady" is no more with us . . . that at 91 her splendid earthly life is finished.

What a span it covered! What a cavalcade of history unfolded and passed before her keen and understanding eyes! She was coming into her teens when that gigantic struggle which was the Civil War engulfed her native state, yet she lived long enough to witness a greater, united nation accept two challenges to its continued existence.

It was no idle fancy which gave to her the name of "Mother." It is truly doubtful that this nation has ever had another woman whose benign influence helped mold the lives of so many others. They were, of course, the thousands upon thousands of girls who were educated at Mississippi's oldest institution of learning for women—Blue Mountain College. The actual number was in the neighborhood of 12,000.

Actually, the history of Blue Mountain College is, in its chief aspects, the biography of Mrs. Modena Lowrey Berry—"Mother" Berry. It was founded by her father. She was one of its first teachers. Her husband was its business manager. She was an active member of its faculty for 69 years. It was not until her own years were 84 that she would concede that perhaps she needed a little rest.

There are few, if any, communities in this area into which her influence has not, in some measure, reached. She had become something more than a great personage. She was, as we said, a symbol of so much of life's goodness. She was, in very fact, a tradition.

She was more, too, than a "Mother" to the girls who were committed to her high-minded teachings. She was the friend, confidante, and comforter of the needy around her. There was no solemn sanctimoniousness about "Mother" Berry. She believed earnestly in God—a God of beauty and kindness and compassion and she made her religion a living, breathing thing.

It manifested itself in innumerable ways—through the care she gave to "her" girls, in feeding the hungry and in tending the sick—in putting back into life so much, much more than she took out of it.

She loved life. She loved laughter. She loved humanity. It was all that which made her something more than "grand." She was great—truly great in mind and soul.

She was ever so gentle. She inspired gentility in those she tutored.

It is a most difficult task to evaluate such a life—to portrait-paint with words one of such a vast importance in the human procession. There were

within her those elements which the worker in oils, the poet, the artisan with words feels, yet which cannot quite be grasped—

Something which has a breath-taking rareness and radiance which stretches far to illuminate dark corners.

That something was "Mother" Berry.

The above lead editorial appeared in The Commercial Appeal, Memphis, Tennessee, Sunday, February 1, 1942, the day after "Mother" Berry's death.

—BR—

Our Contributed Editorial

BY INVITATION OF THE EDITOR

By this means we hope to give our readers a cross section of Mississippi Baptist thought.

WHAT IS YOUR LIFE?

C. S. Moulder

What is your life, and how are you spending it? I shall not attempt to give you a definition of life. Although I will say without God there is no life. The blood must be applied before there can be a physical or spiritual birth. God breathed into our nostrils the breath of life and we became living souls. God has two measuring rods for our life.

SIN—for disobedience, LOVE for obedience.

Job said our life is like the weaver's shuttle—it goes flying by at the twinkling of an eye. David said our life is like the grass that grows up today; tomorrow it is cut down and withered away. James said our life is like the vapor that we see over in the hollow, in a few moments it is vanished and gone.

In the scripture we find the greatest contrast between two men's lives. Matthew 19:16-22; Acts 8:26-39. We find in these few verses of scripture the first man was a rich young ruler who went to Jesus but rejected Him and went away sorrowful. The second man was an eunuch who was sitting in his chariot reading the scripture. Phillip was commanded to go to the chariot and explain the scripture to him. He trusted Jesus and went on his way rejoicing.

Some people seem to think that if they had money, good position, or could be placed in authority and live a clean moral life they would be happy. The rich young ruler met all these qualifications and yet he went away from Jesus sorrowful. The difference in the life of the rich young ruler and the eunuch was not money, land, worldly pleasures, or morality; but Jesus.

We find in the 10th chapter of Mark's gospel that poor old blind Bartimaeus sat by the side of the highway begging, but when he came to Jesus he had a changed life. He came begging—went away giving. He came crying—went away laughing. He came blind—went away seeing. He came lost—went away found.

We find the three philosophies of life in the story of the good Samaritan—Luke 10th chapter.

The first philosophy of life was practiced by the robbers. Survival of the fittest—what is thine is mine and I'll take it. The second philosophy of life was practiced by the priest and Levite. I believe in live and let live. We won't harm or help you—what is mine is mine, and I'll keep it. The third philosophy of life was practiced by the good Samaritan, I believe in live and help others to live. What is mine is thine, and I'll give it.

Jesus said, "I am the water, the bread, the light, the crown of life." Jesus said, I am come that you might have life, and that you might have it more abundantly. What is your life? Are you going along life's highway happy with Jesus?

—BR—

Summit: Our fall work begins with some new interest. Congregations have been better lately. We have had six additions to the church in the last few weeks. Finances are better than usual. All obligations are being met promptly. All the officers and teachers of the Sunday school and B. T. U. for the new year have been elected and are ready to go out for a greater year. On a whole our interest is better.—Jas. B. Quin.

NOW CLUB

DOUBLING THE FIVE THOUSAND CLUB

A DEBTLESS DENOMINATION BEFORE 1945

I

We have just gotten out 10,711 NOW CLUB letters reminding as many persons of the necessity that is upon us.

If we averaged \$10 per person getting a letter, we would not have to wait in calling another \$100,000 of our bonds.

'Tis sad, but true! Many of us will have to make up for those who have ears but hear not. Jeremiah 5:21. Ezekiel 12:2. Jesus said, "He that hath ears to hear, let him hear." Matt. 11:15; 13: 9, 43; Mark 4:9, 23; 7:16; Luke 8:8; 14:35.

II

We are for the 100,000 Club. It aims at a complete refunding of SOUTHERN BAPTIST indebtedness before 1945. It is OUR debt! We have paid our pledge to date!

We pay MORE to the NOW CLUB for Mississippi Baptist debts—because—

Mississippi Baptists owe as much as any South-wide agency about which we know.

Also, there are fewer Mississippi Baptists than Southern Baptists in sharing the respective responsibilities.

We may, and should, complete payment of both State and Southwide debts.

III

Over-the-top Now Club churches continue to pour in, as well as Certificates each week. We list the following:

Over-the-Top churches:

Ashland—Benton.
Canaan—Benton.
Antioch—Calhoun (Lafayette).
Antioch—Calhoun.
Bethany—Calhoun.
College Hill—Calhoun.
Driver's Flat—Calhoun.
Ellard—Calhoun.
Gaston Springs—Calhoun.
Macedonia—Calhoun.
Meridian—Calhoun.
Pleasant Grove—Calhoun.
Pleasant Ridge—Calhoun.
Sarepta—Calhoun.
Union Grove—Calhoun.
Vardaman—Calhoun.
Mt. Pisgah—Choctaw.
New Hope—Franklin.
Fairview—Itawamba.
Fellowship—Jasper.
Leaf River—Smith.
Rose Hill—Smith.
Fellowship—Tippah.
Macedonia—Tippah.
Pleasant Hill—Tippah.
Whitten Town—Tippah.

III

Now Club Certificates . . . week of September 21, 1942:

No. 271 for \$36, Liberty Hill in Alcorn (E. D. Estes, worker).

No. 734 for \$50, No. 109 for \$250, Ashland in Benton (McLaurin, field worker).

No. 813 for \$100, Canaan in Benton (McLaurin, field worker).

No. 2679 for \$36, Antioch in Lafayette, Calhoun Association (McLaurin, field worker).

No. 2678 for \$36, No. 2651 for \$36, Antioch in Calhoun (McLaurin, field worker).

No. 2647 for \$36, No. 2648 for \$36, No. 821 for \$100, Bethany in Calhoun (McLaurin, field worker).

No. 745 for \$50, No. 733 for \$50, College Hill in Calhoun (McLaurin, field worker).

No. 740 for \$50, No. 741 for \$50, Derma in Calhoun (McLaurin, field worker).

No. 2831 for \$36, Drivers Flat in Calhoun (Hightower, field worker).

No. 699 for \$50, Ellard in Calhoun (Hightower, field worker).

No. 746 for \$50, Gaston Springs in Calhoun (McLaurin, field worker).

No. 742 for \$50, No. 819 for \$100, No. 820 for \$100, Macedonia in Calhoun (McLaurin, field worker).

No. 2664 for \$36, No. 2665 for \$36, No. 732 for \$50,

NO MORE PRIOR SERVICE CREDITS, BUT—

Retirement benefits for older men did not fade away when the deadline for prior service credits was passed. Just how much your retirement income will now be depends, of course, upon the individual factors involved in your particular case. Of one thing, however, you can be assured: It will be more if you DO join the Ministers Retirement Plan than if you don't. It will be more if you join now than if you delay longer.

Write me for application blanks and further information.

Dr. D. A. McCall, Executive Secretary-Treasurer, Baptist Building, Jackson, Mississippi.

—BR—

Rev. D. W. Nix, who has been attending the Southwestern Baptist Seminary in Dallas, Texas, and serving pastorates nearby during the past four years, has been re-called to serve as pastor of Juniper Grove Baptist Church, a few miles east of Poplarville. This church is located across the highway from Senator Theo. G. Bilbo's "Dream Home" and is on the banks of the large artificial lake which the senator had constructed a few months ago. Before going to Texas, the Rev. Mr. Nix served as pastor of Juniper Grove church for three years. During his first three years in Texas he was located at Alvarado, but for the past year has been living in Dallas where he was pastor of the Westmoreland Baptist Church.

Several months ago a business man in Greenville, N. C., named his firstborn son for his partner. Then they disagreed and dissolved the partnership, so the father went to city hall and had the name of his son changed. That is not the end of the story. The other man thereupon named a newborn mule for his former partner.—Exchange.

Meridian in Calhoun (McLaurin, field worker).

No. 2668 for \$36, No. 2669 for \$36, Pittsboro in Calhoun (McLaurin, field worker).

No. 2605 for \$36, Pleasant Grove in Calhoun (Hightower, field worker).

No. 744 for \$50, Pleasant Ridge in Calhoun (McLaurin, field worker).

No. 2649 for \$36, No. 2650 for \$36, Sarepta in Calhoun (McLaurin, field worker).

No. 2604 for \$36, Union Grove in Calhoun (Hightower, field worker).

No. 698 for \$50, No. 773 for \$100, No. 117 for \$250, Vardaman in Calhoun (Hightower, field worker).

No. 747 for \$50, Mt. Pisgah in Choctaw (McLaurin, field worker).

No. 697 for \$50, New Hope in Franklin (Hightower, field worker).

No. 2661 for \$36, Evergreen in Itawamba (E. D. Estes, worker).

No. 2660 for \$36, Fairview in Itawamba (E. D. Estes, worker).

No. 2528 for \$36, No. 2601 for \$36, No. 695 for \$50, Fellowship in Jasper (Hightower, field worker).

No. 818 for \$100, Tupelo, First in Lee (McLaurin, field worker).

No. 2663 for \$36, Mt. Pleasant in Lincoln (Hightower, field worker).

No. 2680 for \$36, No. 2681 for \$36, Canton, First (McLaurin, field worker).

No. 2606 for \$36, Central Grove in Monroe (Hightower, field worker).

No. 2646 for \$36, McDonald in Neshoba (McLaurin, field worker).

No. 730 for \$50, Hollywood in Riverside (E. D. Estes, worker).

No. 696 for \$50, High Hill in Smith (Hightower, field worker).

No. 811 for \$100, No. 812 for \$100, Leaf River in Smith (McLaurin, field worker).

No. 2602 for \$36, No. 2603 for \$36, Rose Hill in Smith (Hightower, field worker).

No. 822 for \$100, New Life in Tallahatchie (McLaurin, field worker).

No. 736 for \$50, No. 815 for \$100, Fellowship in Tippah (McLaurin, field worker).

No. 2666 for \$36, No. 2667 for \$36, No. 739 for \$50, Macedonia in Tippah (McLaurin, field worker).

No. 738 for \$50, No. 816 for \$100, Pleasant Hill in Tippah (McLaurin, field worker).

No. 267 for \$36, No. 268 for \$36, New Hope in Yalobusha (E. D. Estes, worker).

No. 772 for \$100, Bethel in Zion (Hightower, field worker).

No. 737 for \$50, Whitten Town in Tippah (McLaurin, field worker).

REPORT OF THE BAPTIST FOUNDATION COMMITTEE

Pursuant to the instructions of the Convention, the Baptist Foundation Committee will make the following report to the Convention at its meeting in Jackson during November. The committee has not made final decision as to the recommendations for directors, but these names will be included when the report is made.

The Committee on Baptist Foundation appointed at the last session of the Mississippi Baptist Convention, has carried out the instructions of this Convention, as recorded on pages 50 and 51 of the Convention minutes of 1941.

Your committee commends the trustees of all of our institutions for their untiring labor in their endeavor to further the interest and progress of their respective institutions.

We, therefore, in the interest of all concerned and with the profound conviction for a greater progress, cooperation and coordination in Baptist endeavor and work in Mississippi, do, hereby, make the following recommendations:

1. That a Baptist Foundation of the Mississippi Baptist Convention be established, to be named Mississippi Baptist Foundation; that the charter attached to this report be adopted, and the directors be authorized and empowered to do any and all things necessary and required in and about the incorporation of the Foundation and in establishing it as a legal and going corporation.

2. That the following Baptist laymen of Mississippi be named as the charter directors of the Foundation, with the power, if any director should decline to serve, to name some one in his place, to serve until the next meeting of the Convention.

3. That the directors proceed promptly to organize and that they adopt the by-laws for the government of the Foundation, conforming, insofar as applicable, to the by-laws of the Baptist Foundation of Texas.

4. That the Boards of Trustees of our Institutions and/or the agencies of the Convention may at their option turn over to the Foundation any part or all of their endowment securities for safeguarding and investment. The title and ownership of such securities and funds shall, however, be forever held for the benefit of the institutions and agencies providing same, and carried as such on the books of the Baptist Foundation. All earnings of the respective funds of each institution and agency which decides to deliver the endowment assets to the Foundation shall be remitted monthly to the Trustees of the same for the operation of their respective institutions and agencies.

5. That the directors of said Foundation be authorized after the charter is granted to receive and administer all funds committed to the Foundation through gifts, bequests, devises or otherwise as directed by the donors.

6. It is further recommended that upon the organization of the Foundation it effect arrangements whereby the educational program conducted by the Baptist Bequest Committee for the past two years be continued under the direction of the Foundation and that the several institutions and agencies of the Convention, interested, be directed to cooperate in such program by making such donations for necessary expense from their funds as may be determined by the Foundation directors in conference with the executive committees of the Convention Board and those of the boards of trustees of the interested institutions, and agencies.

7. That South-wide institutions, agencies and causes of the Southern Baptist Convention be given the privilege, at their option, of making contributions to the expense fund and participating in any program of education or solicitation which the directors may institute.

O. B. TAYLOR, Chairman,
Baptist Foundation Committee.

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"We had better make a front-page story of this wedding," remarked the editor.

"Why?" asked the society reporter in surprise. "They aren't very prominent people."

"That may be," he replied, "but this is the first account of a wedding you have turned in for ages that hasn't had as a last line, 'They will reside with the bride's parents.'"

Touching The Bases

By Fred R. Langley
Soldiers, Sailors and Defense Projects Service

A desire of twenty-three years has been satisfied. Since the year 1919 we have wanted to eat once more in an army mess hall. The invitation finally came, and was accepted, to eat with the boys in a North Mississippi Air Base, where approximately 1700 soldiers are fed daily in a single mess. We were told the menu that day was about as usual for the army. Before we began to eat we listed the food on the menu—which is as follows: vegetable soup, stewed corn, string beans, mashed potatoes and brown gravy, meat loaf, lettuce and carrot salad, white bread, rye bread, strawberry preserves, chocolate pudding with cream sauce, and hot coffee. A generous portion of each, clean, wholesome and well prepared by 35 army cooks all dressed in white. The invitation was given for a return engagement. "Thanks, Sarge."

CLEVELAND, Mississippi: The First Baptist Church here observed Soldier's Day on September 20. The printed program and the order of service is one of the best and most attractive that has come to this department. Other churches planning a similar program will do well to write Pastor I. D. Eavenson for details and a copy of his program. Doxology!

COLUMBUS: This beautiful city on the Tombigbee with its Army Flying School seems to be handling the soldier program well. The First Baptist Church conducted a week's program on "Leadership in Soul Winning." Dr. Fred T. Moffatt of Frankfort, Ky., was the visiting minister. The atmosphere in and around the church here is always conducive to spiritual development.

New Testaments for the Soldier Center in Jackson and the Columbus Army Flying School Chapel have been ordered by this department at the request of religious leaders in each of these places.

Army chaplains or their assistants may be furnished large colorful Bible posters free of charge for their chapel by writing to: Best Seller Publicity, 189 Madison street, Chicago, Illinois. Glorify your chapel with attractive Bible posters.

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Van Winkle: The budget for the Van Winkle Baptist Church is \$6,203.60 for 1943. This is a good increase over the past year. This has been by far the best year in every respect in the history of the Van Winkle church. These are great people and they are doing a great work. Ten percent of our budget goes to the Cooperative Program.—Chas. L. McKay, pastor.

Calvary church, Jackson: Total offerings for Sunday, September 20, were \$1,037.68.

Mrs. Mattie L. Nicholson of Route 4, Union, Mississippi, writes to express her appreciation of the book, "The Life of Dan Moulder." She recalls hearing Brother Moulder many years ago at the General Association which met at Union, Mississippi. Dr. R. J. Willingham, who was secretary of the Foreign Mission Board, was also present. Rev. J. S. Sansing of Caldedonia, is a brother of Mrs. Nicholson. Her father was a deacon and her brother is now a deacon. All her sisters have been Sunday school teachers.

Van Winkle: Pastor Chas. L. McKay will be in a revival meeting with Pastor James H. Wright in the First Baptist Church, Huntsville, Mo., October 14-22.

Evidently Chaplain Percy F. Herring, formerly pastor at Gallman, is "going up." He is now Wing Chaplain for the Paratroop Command. He has supervisory command of the chaplains at the various fields of the Wing-Pope Field, N. C.; Lubbock Field, Texas; Lawson Field, Ga.; Bowmar Field, Ky., and Florence Field, S. C. Chaplain Herring's work is greatly enlarged and he certainly will have to be active to cover that territory. He will also do the complete work of a chaplain in addition to the supervisory work.

"THE NEED OF PRAYER FOR OUR NATION ... ITS LEADERS"

The first chapter of Nehemiah is so applicable today that it will behoove us to stop and read it prayerfully again and again.

The history of every nation has had God in it whether that nation recognized Him or not. God has been "behind the scenes" either directing or permitting these histories to be formulated. Before Nehemiah's time the Jewish nation had repeatedly turned away from God and God had permitted them to be punished. He often used outside nations with which to accomplish this. God did not look with favor upon these outside nations simply because He used them as His instruments of punishment, for He punished these nations for their sins also. I dare say that these outside nations never realized that God was using them at the time. They probably thought that they had a better army, or better form of government than the Jews and no doubt gave credit for their victories to themselves.

The time in which Nehemiah's prayer was made was very close to the end of the Old Testament days, just before the words of Malachi and the long period in which no prophet of God was heard. Nehemiah was in Shushan, or Susa, the ancient capital of Persia as a captive of an enemy nation. The Jewish nation at this time was going through its second period of captivity and those who were not slaves in Babylon were scattered all over the then-known world. Now we see a few Jews who have come from Jerusalem to where Nehemiah was, and he naturally asks about his homeland, his nation. The sad reply of these men was certainly a verification of "Righteousness exalteth a nation, but sin is a reproach to any people." Nehemiah's heart was grieved with this news, but he did not hang his head and just lament over fallen Israel... he did something definite about it... he laid hold on God in prayer!

He was called on to confess his sins, and to confess the sins of his people, his NATION. We see him doing that right there in this first chapter... praying for his people... his nation... Israel. In answer to his prayer God arranged for him to return to Jerusalem and rebuild the walls of the city and to begin the long period of restoration which elapsed between Malachi and Matthew.

There are many Old Testament characters who were called on to confess the sins of their nation. Listen to the prayer of Daniel as you read Daniel 9:3-7. God heard and always honored the prayers of these men. Not all of the people prayed or repented but God spared them as a nation because of the fervent prayers of these righteous men.

Our great country was founded and settled because people were seeking religious liberty from the persecutions in Europe. Our forefathers had to fight to preserve this new-found freedom. They often went to worship services with their Bibles under one arm and their guns under the other. Since then we, as a nation, have many times faced economic depressions, spiritual recesses and other crises... but we have always come through them in a victorious manner BECAUSE THE PEOPLE TURNED TO GOD! How true are the words of Francis Scott Key in The Star Spangled Banner when he speaks of the "heaven rescued land" and praises the "power that hath made and preserved us a nation."

During the trying times of the American Revolution atheism was doing its best to get instilled into the people. Bolingbrook was spreading it in England, Voltaire in France and Thomas Payne in America. Our land was on the verge of falling into atheism's clutches but the Christian people, recognizing that God had given them victory, BEGAN TO PRAY... A revival ensued which lasted over 42 years. Many thought the Golden Age had come in... Then they began to relax... and another crisis came... but as the people turned to God, the nation was continuously preserved.

In the crisis of the Civil War God raised up D. L. Moody, a plain country shoe salesman, followed by R. A. Torrey and Chapman, and America's spiritual life was again restored. The government of the people, by the people, for the people did not perish from the earth.

Later, when we were plunged into the first World War we faced what we thought at the time was our greatest crisis. But in the hour of despondency the people of America turned unto God and were vic-

Tithing Corner

A TITHING EXPERIENCE

At the request of my pastor, I am sending a short statement of my tithing experience.

I have been a Baptist for eight years. Previous to that I was a member of the Cumberland Presbyterian for twenty-seven years.

Many times in my Christian experience I have tried to tithe, but after a few weeks would just quit. Finally, sickness came in the home, I began to work, and again I tried to tithe, but just couldn't hold out.

Then an opportunity came for me to go to the Second Baptist Church in Greenville. For two months I fought changing my membership but after much prayer felt a definite call to change, which I did, and again I started to tithe, and this time I did not have to "hold out" for God certainly helped me. This has continued for three years and I have been blessed every day of it for having obeyed this command. My salary in the three years has more than doubled. For more than a year I have not only tithed, but have been able to bring an offering above the tithe each week for our building.

Our pastor is truly consecrated to his task of leading, and follows the Holy Spirit's guidance in such a spirit of love that all who know him appreciate and love him and his companion for the work they have done during their ministry here.

You who do not know the blessings of tithing just try it and see what the Lord can do for you, if you only have faith to submit to His divine will.

MRS. CLAY THOMPSON,
Member Second Baptist Church,
Greenville, Miss.

—BR—

"We ought to go straight to the point when making an appeal to God. We ought to seek to do His will. God's will is right, always, whatever it is."—George W. Truett.

torious again. But this time there was no "following through" with God. The nation seemed to stop short and forget Him after the Armistice was signed... and America started on a long, downward slide in her morals, politics and religion. We stand today in the midst of another war, with an enemy who apparently has strength to do as he pleases. Can it be that God is actually on the side of the enemy? Or is God using them now as He did the Persians, the Babylonians, the Assyrians in Old Testament times as a rod of correction to the so-called Christian nations? God's arm is not shortened that He can not intervene and change the picture. BUT we will have to get on GOD'S SIDE before He will intervene. It is not a question of whether God is on our side or not, but rather ARE WE ON GOD'S SIDE?

Christians should be confessing their individual sins... and America's sins... and praying to God for His intervention in these dark days. Sin is just as great an abomination to a nation today as it ever was... and we need to confess these sins just as Nehemiah and Daniel did if we expect God to preserve us a nation. It matters not how many tanks, planes and guns we can produce if we leave God out of the picture. The Jews were never a war-like people but God delivered them time after time from an enemy who outnumbered them hopelessly.

God, through Paul, in I Timothy 2:1-8, commands us to pray for our leaders, for those in authority, that we might be permitted to live a peaceable life among other men. Certainly, today, we need to obey this command literally and actually. Let's begin now, today, to really and earnestly confess our national sins and to pray for our leaders, and look to God, claiming His promises in II Chron. 7:14 when we have fulfilled the conditions on our part... "If My people, which are called by My Name, will humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land."... The promise is to you, Christian. "Prove Me NOW, saith the Lord!"

RALPH W. GILBERT,
Magnolia, Miss.

Mississippi Baptists

Your Secretary Says:

"LOVE NEVER FAILS." I Cor. 13:8b

Jesus said, "I WILL BUILD MY CHURCH." Mt. 16:18.

"A good thing to remember,
And a better thing to do,
— work with the construction gang,
Not with the wreckin' crew."

I

To date, September 25th, we have heard from fifteen associations the good news that they are in on and are for the "1943 Three Months' Statewide Evangelistic Crusade." We list these associations as follows: George County, Grenada County, Lafayette County, Yalobusha County, Benton County, Lee County, Monroe County, Tate County, Prentiss County, Alcorn County, Marshall County, Lebanon, Calhoun County and Panola County.

Others will be coming in before you read this.

If your association has taken favorable action in this matter and it is not named in this list, it means we had not heard about it by the date given in the first line. Let Mississippi Baptists share the good news with you!

II

Moderator-Pastor Edward L. Byrd, Holly Springs, dropped by the office with the message that Marshall County voted unanimously to participate in the 1943 Soul Winning Crusade.

Pastor G. O. Parker, Magee, Board member, represented some of the state work at Lebanon Association. He reported a good association. The Lebanon voted to cooperate in the 1943 Evangelistic Crusade.

Moderator B. Murphree writes: "The Calhoun County Association voted unanimously to cooperate in the coming Evangelistic Crusade."

Pastor W. E. Lee says, "The reaction (of Panola County Association) to the Evangelistic program was favorable and the association voted unanimously to cooperate. A committee was appointed to steer it. Brother Estes was with us and did good service, as did Brothers Goodrich and McLaurin. The association voted you thanks for sending us this corps of workers."

III

NOTICE

This is formal notice to all agencies, departments, causes, committees, and institutions forming phases of our work that we will want annual reports for printing in the Convention bulletin starting October 15th. The latest date for accepting these reports is November 5th. However, if the best work is done on them some must come early. You help your own cause by helping us help the printer.

IV

If you want to see a tremendous prayer meeting congregation at a First church, among others, try First Church, Jackson, Dr. W. A. Hewitt, pastor. It rained in torrents all day and still the large room was packed with people.

"State Missions" was the theme by the choice of Mrs. Bethea, program chairman. Brother Fred Langley spoke helpfully on our work among the men in our midst in training. We spoke on the various phases of State Missions, majoring on Evangelism.

Dr. W. A. Hewitt and First Baptist, Jackson, have helped more churches financially than any other church we know about.

After the services we rushed back to our own church at the request of our pastor to have a part in the examination of Brother Whitten, Weir, for the work of the ministry. He gave clear testimony in answering questions.

On Friday evening Dr. and Mrs. Howard Spell entertained the Student Ministers and wives. It was a most enjoyable occasion. These two workers are excellent leaders in any sphere of service.

V

We have four fine new tracts, namely, "The Church Budget," by Dillard; "Why the Baptist Cooperative Program Works," by Gilmore; "How a Farmer May Tithe," by Henderson; and, "The Cooperative Program of Southern Baptists," by Dillard. They give splendid treatments of each sub-

ject. We will be glad to furnish them in limited quantities.

VI

It can hardly be said that Mississippi Baptists and this office have been miserly in the light of the records.

We have been passing along to various causes and agencies, according to instructions, some \$200,000 to over \$400,000 per year.

Within the last several months we passed along to Mississippi Woman's College the sum of \$15,000 and Blue Mountain College the sum of \$10,000 for notes held by them.

We have been working on past due accounts created by Clarke College and passed along to this office.

Large blocks of our bonds have been called, saving \$75,000 interest net. We now look to calling \$100,000 additional bonds next time, thus saving \$60,000 additional interest.

More might be said but these items suggest the faithfulness of your Convention Board in general.

Mississippi Baptists make it all possible in the goodness of our God.

VII

We were somewhat helpfully amused the other day. A Baptist layman suddenly discovered that some of his brethren were asleep, and expressed some concern over it.

Three hundred of our churches reported not a single baptism last year—someone asleep! Some of us have been going by day and by night trying to make our little contribution in remedying this condition. "Somebody asleep." No news to us. We like new recruits in remedying the situation!

Three hundred of our churches that gave not one penny last year in obedience to Christ, to causes beyond the local church.

Some of us have been trying to cover the State with good literature and verbally delivered messages in arousing the brethren at this point.

"Somebody asleep." Not new to us but new recruits are good for the soul.

How some of us have been trying to do our best in debt-paying effort. Some good response. Some poor response.

"Somebody asleep." That is patent! We know that! What we want is some help in awakening the brethren. What we want are suggestions from alive and alert helpers in the Gospel for doing the thing.

Ephesians 5:14. "Awake thou that sleepest—and Christ shall give thee light."

VIII

Not only are Dr. Truett and Dr. Zeno Wall coming to our Evangelistic Conference, Clinton, January 18-21, 1943, but other distinguished guests will be present.

Dr. R. H. Coleman, Dallas, will lead the singing.

Dr. T. J. Watts, Dallas, is to speak at one of the hours. Dr. T. L. Holcomb, Nashville, is to do the same.

Dr. Austin Crouch, Nashville, is to have two afternoons in presenting "The Atonement." We heard him at Ridgecrest on this topic and God has given him a great message.

Pastors! Make your plans to attend!

IX

The day before a practice blackout, a local theatre posted this sign—"The front will be dark tonight, but we will be doing business inside as usual."

It caused us to remember the words in a story told by Jesus, "for the children of this world are in their generation wiser than the children of light." Luke 16:8.

Some folks are expecting, and some are demanding that churches curtail their work and services, when these things reach the souls, minds and bodies of men, women and little children. Whereas, the theatres not satisfied with six days a week have expanded their business over seven days a week.

Many folks would want the churches to call in services during a "blackout."

We have an idea that the churches **THAT COUNT** will be found "doing business as usual."

Jesus covered an area about one-half as large as Mississippi. He had neither auto, bicycle, nor saddle horse!

Do Mississippi Baptists have "the stuff" that has made God's people "count" through the centuries?

X

Anybody who says Mississippi Baptists are try-

ing to "make anybody do" anything is just plain dumb, or downright dishonest.

Mississippi Baptists would not lift one of their five hundred sixty thousand (560,000) "little fingers" "to make" the "anti" do anything!

If the love of Christ does not constrain him to work together with God, nothing else will do anything worthwhile for him. He may have to be turned over to the devil for a season, when nothing else works.

II Cor. 5:14; 6:1; I Timothy 1:20; I Cor. 5:5; "God gave them up." Rom. 1:24, 26, 28.

Now refresh yourself by reading John 19 and I Cor. 13. His love! Your love!

XI



"Then they that gladly received His word were baptized," Acts 2:41.

Here we have Pastor J. E. Kinsey ready to baptize fifty-six (56) persons, in obedience to our Lord Jesus Christ. Matt. 28:19-20. Brother Kinsey has served faithfully through the years.

This is some more STATE MISSIONS as State Mission Evangelist E. D. Estes did the preaching for this revival, Riverside Association, Hollywood Baptist Church.

DOXOLOGY!

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A CHAPLAIN'S OPINION OF A CHAPLAIN'S WORK

You may be interested in knowing something of my opinion of the work of a chaplain in the army. I am greatly satisfied with my opportunity to work in this capacity. There is such a great need for the services of a chaplain and one who loves to preach the gospel and loves to work with men personally. It is still the work of a pastor and needs the men who are naturally pastors and those who will go about the work as a pastor. On Sundays we have the most challenging congregations to be found anywhere to preach to. In them we have men of most every denomination and belief. One chaplain reported that he had a follower of Confucius in his flock and congregation, so you can see that we also have a great opportunity for missions.

Sometimes we run short of chaplains and we have to double up in our work. Last Sunday I preached at one area at 9:00 a. m. and then at the Base Chapel at 10:00 a. m. In all I preached to around four hundred men. Never have I preached to congregations that gave better attention than we get here. It all adds up and makes one want to preach.

I can say gladly that we have about the finest chaplains you can expect anywhere. They are representative men, young, but not too young. I am proud of the clean moral standards of them and their untiring zeal for their work. It is a pleasure to work with such men. In fact, I think that the chaplains here can be called a fair representation of the Chaplains Corps. I am the only Baptist here, and in behalf of the chaplains of Orlando Air Base, Fighter Command School, AAF I want to solicit the prayers of the Baptists of Mississippi. We need your help in this matter.

Sincerely your friend in service,

CARMON A. SAEVLL, Chaplain.

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"Spurgeon's Sermon Notes" is published by Zondervan Publishing House of Grand Rapids, Michigan. It sells for \$1.00. It contains 193 sermon outlines and 550 illustrations. If pastors will use the book as a help and not as a substitute for work it is a worthwhile book.

Rev. T. A. J. Beasley assisted Pastor W. C. Bryant in an ordination service at Center Hill in Pontotoc county. The deacons ordained were Brethren Pitts, Grant and Lasser.

GOING PLACES

Our Text: I Timothy 4:13a and 15b: "Till I come, give attendance to reading—give thyself WHOLLY to them, that thy profiting may appear to ALL." Our Motto: "Ask the people, they'll subscribe."

REV. BARNEY PADGETT JOINS 100% LIST

Another addition to the growing list of pastors with all their field of churches having the EVERY FAMILY Plan is Rev. Barney Padgett.



REV. BARNEY PADGETT

Concerning the EVERY FAMILY Plan and how he got it adopted he says: "I have believed in the EVERY FAMILY Plan since it began but I was a little doubtful about being able to get it in the budget of my churches. I decided to prove to my people that I did believe in The Baptist Record before I asked them to adopt the plan. I took the tithe out of my work and sent The Baptist Record to them for three months. The people decided to keep The Record coming at the end of the three months in every church."

"Antioch in Jeff Davis county was the first to adopt the plan. Our attendance has increased, finance is better than it has ever been in the history of the church, I have been told, and the church was able to secure the funds, buy the materials, and build two Sunday school rooms in three weeks and place some money in the treasury of our church above the cost of the rooms."

"Hermanville adopted the plan later. Our attendance has increased in church service and our Sunday school has almost doubled."

"Pattison was the last to adopt the plan and I hope to be able to report an increase soon."

"I don't say that The Baptist Record caused all the increase but 'it does help.'"

"Sincerely yours,

"BARNEY PADGETT."

Soldiers and The Baptist Record

Churches which have The Baptist Record in their budgets may add to their lists the names of any of their men in military service, and we will send The Baptist Record to those men who are in the United States military camps, wherever they are stationed, on the same basis as other members on the list. We believe that many of the churches will welcome this opportunity to send, weekly, Records to the men in service. Of course, this applies to individual subscriptions also.

Churches having fifty percent or more of their resident families subscribing to The Baptist Record may send The Record to armed service men at the one dollar rate.

Calhoun County Association

Calhoun County Association, as always, was good to the state workers. We were given sufficient time before noon on the first day. Results have already begun to come in.

Concerning the association, Rev. L. E. Roane writes:

"The Calhoun County Baptist Association met at Bruce, Sept. 16 and 17 in its most outstanding session. Moderator Bradford Murphree was re-elected for the tenth time; Clerk E. A. Dye was reelected for the eighth time, while Rev. A. F. Brasher was reelected assistant moderator for the third year."

"Thirty-two preachers, including twenty-one Calhoun Baptists and eleven visitors, among them be-

ing Rev. McKee, local Methodist pastor, were present.

"Visitors included Editor Goodrich, Evangelist Estes, Auber Wilds, Dr. McLauren, N. S. Jackson, J. L. Crumby, J. L. Reese, J. H. Sherman, W. W. Simpson, O. B. Hood and R. B. Hicks."

"Reports from the 40 churches were presented, with 409 baptized, total additions, 594; total losses, 305, and a net increase of 289, bringing the total membership up to 7,105."

"Finances were \$14,000.00 over last year's report, totaling \$29,379.45. The valuation of church property has likely passed the \$100,000 mark. The fine spirit of brotherly love which was so evident in unanimous votes, along with the excellent hospitality so pleasantly given to all, made the entire session one that will never be forgotten. Designated gifts and the Co-operative Program totaled \$4,136.50."

"The association closed this fine session on time, and will meet with Parker church Wednesday after the second Sunday in September, 1943."

"The fine new \$25,000.00 church at Bruce was used for the first time in a county-wide meeting, and was packed to overflowing."

Record readers in Calhoun county are listed as follows: BETHANY 12, Big Creek 7, BRUCE 134, CALHOUN CITY 65; College Hill 1; DERMA 14, NEW HOPE 28, PITTSBORO 18, Shiloh 1; Spring Hill 1, Old Town 4, Rocky Mt. 9, Macedonia 6, Pleasant Ridge 3, MT. MORIAH 21, Sarepta 1, Vardaman 14, Gaston Springs 14, Oak Grove 5.

Rankin County W. M. U. Rally

As the car guest of Secretary McCall, we got to Puckett at twelve o'clock, where the Rankin County W. M. U. Associational meeting was in session. Everybody made "A" at the dinner table. Mrs. Watts Webb, the county superintendent, was most gracious and gave us thirty minutes to talk about The Baptist Record. We also had the privilege of hearing Secretary McCall and Mrs. Webb Brame. Both brought inspiring messages.

Rankin county Record readers are listed as follows: Barefoot 7, Brandon misc. 2, BRIAR HILL 45, Brandon 12, CATO 46, CLEAR BRANCH 41, Hickory Ridge 2, Leesburg 1, MOUNTAIN CREEK 22, MT. PISGAH 39, MIZPAH 11, New Zion 2, OAKDALE 21, PEARSON 15, PELAHATCHIE 65, PUCKETT 19, Star 4, STEEN'S CREEK 91, Whitfield 1, Liberty 2, Pelahatchie R. F. D. No. 1, Pelahatchie R-2 1, ROCK HILL 12, Galilee 1, RICHLAND 42, ANTIOCH 67.

Zion Association—Webster County

Zion Association and Moderator Joel Dorroh always welcome state workers and state workers always look forward to the Zion Association. As usual, S. F. Adams was again re-elected clerk and Rev. Joel Dorroh, moderator.

Bradford Chapel and Pastor J. B. Dorroh proved to be delightful hosts to the association.

We were given time to explain the EVERY FAMILY Plan. Several pastors told us that their churches had already adopted the EVERY FAMILY Plan and that the lists would soon be in. (Some were in when we returned to Jackson.) Others promised to present the EVERY FAMILY Plan to their churches.

Webster county's subscribers are listed as follows: Bellefontaine 6, Bethel 9, EUPORA 105, Fellowship 4, Mantee 3, Mathiston 5, NEW HOPE 28, Walthall 1, DOUBLE SPRINGS 19, CROSS ROADS 22, Mt. Zion 7, Tomnolen 1, Pilgrim's Rest 1.

Carroll County Association

Due to an unforeseen development we could only stay for a short while at the Carroll Association. But as usual the association was sympathetic and provided a place for us to present the claims of The Baptist Record.

Pastor Wm. Hull and Liberty church were excellent hosts. Officers elected were: Moderator, Rev. J. M. Corley; assistant moderator, Rev. L. D. Sellars; clerk, Rev. W. P. Browne.

Carroll county's EVERY FAMILY Plan churches, as usual, had better financial reports than those with few or no subscribers.

Subscribers in Carroll county are listed as follows: Colla 4, NEW SALEM 13, NORTH CARROLL-

TON 43, Providence 9, VAIDEN 50; Mt. Pisgah 1.

Baptist Record Circulation Goes Up— So Do Financial Receipts

In the issue of September 10 Secretary McCall gave the encouraging information that receipts for August 1942 exceeded the receipts for the same month in 1941 by \$4,562.44. This should encourage every Mississippi Baptist. Surely our secretary and all his workers, the missionaries, our pastors and men and women over the state should be congratulated.

Let it also be remembered that the circulation of The Baptist Record in August was the largest for any month, according to available records.

Of course, no one would claim that The Baptist Record caused this increase but it helped. It is a fact that during these years that the circulation of The Baptist Record has been growing, so have the receipts in the state secretary's office. Evidently, The Baptist Record does help.

Jasper County Association

When it comes to unselfishness we know of no one that surpasses Rev. S. E. Sumrall. At the recent meeting of the Jasper County Association he was scheduled to preach the associational sermon on the first night. Brother McCall and the writer could only be there the first night. Brother Sumrall very kindly gave his time to the two visiting brethren, and thus instead of just a few minutes to give a hop, skip and jump presentation of The Baptist Record, we had thirty minutes in which to fully explain it.

As usual, the EVERY FAMILY churches had excellent reports. There were four churches that gave nothing through the state office during the past associational year. None of these were EVERY FAMILY churches. The non-EVERY FAMILY churches averaged 44c per member, according to the records in the State Convention Board office. The EVERY FAMILY churches averaged \$1.91 per member. Many other factors had a part in these records, but no doubt The Baptist Record helped the EVERY FAMILY churches to make this commendable report.

Officers elected were: J. L. Hughes, moderator; W. J. Shoemaker, clerk.

Eden church and Pastor J. T. Carter were hosts to the association.

Baptist Record readers in Jasper county are listed as follows: BAY SPRINGS 76, NEW FELLOWSHIP 10, HEIDELBERG 31, LOUIN 63, MONTROSE 30, FELLOWSHIP 14, Stringer 1, VOSSBURG 15, CORINTH 24, DECADAR 14, Shady Grove 8, Pine Grove 3, PLEASANT GROVE 18, Springdale 1, Antioch 1.

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STATE MISSION DAY, OCTOBER 25 J. E. Dillard

To win a war it is as necessary to keep the home base strong as it is to strengthen the battle lines.

In the Christian warfare we must keep the home church and the home state strong in order that they may furnish recruits and supplies for the far-flung battle lines represented by our mission boards and fields.

The observance of State Mission Day in the Sunday school on October 25, or the nearest convenient Sunday thereto, is for the purpose of informing our people concerning the religious needs and opportunities in our own state and enlisting more of them in the intelligent support of this cause.

A most attractive program has been provided; it is entitled: "Strengthening the Churches Through State Missions." This program has been sent to the superintendents. It is also published in the October issue of "The Sunday School Builder," in "The Teacher," and in "The Quarterly Review." Free offering envelopes may be had from your Baptist state headquarters.

Pastors and superintendents awake to the exigencies of the times will faithfully observe State Mission Day, October 25.

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Bishop William T. Manning, of New York City, spoke wisely and well when he said, "The Christian religion stands, not for peace at any price, but for righteousness at any cost."

Mississippi Woman's Missionary Union

OUR STATE OFFICERS

Recording Secretary—Mrs. D. C. Simmons, Jackson, Miss.
Personal Service—Mrs. A. L. Goodrich, Clinton, Miss.
Vice-President—Mrs. John King, Clinton, Miss.

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Mission Study Helps For Young People For South American Series

Suggested Books: South American Series:

YWA—Baptists Building in Brazil50c
Intermediates, Wings Against The Blue40c
Juniors, Friends Down Under35c
Sunbeams, Neighbors We'd Like to Know25c
(It is ideal for each member of the class to have his own book, or two buy together. Order from Baptist Book Store, Jackson, Miss.)

Supplemental Books To Aid Teachers Of These Books on South America:

Discussion and Program Suggestions For Y. P. on Latin America—25c—YWA Book.

Discussion and Program Suggestions for Seniors on Latin America—25c—Int. Book.

A Junior Guide On South America—25c—Junior Book.

A Primary Guide on South America—25c—Sunbeam Book.

Outlook in Brazil—25c—YWA and Intermediates.

Outlook in the River Plate Region—25c—YWA and Intermediates.

Fun and Festival From the Other Americas—25c—YWA and Intermediates.

Children's Games From Latin America—10c—Junior and Sunbeam.

Album of S. B. C. Foreign Missionaries—\$1.00.

*Look At Latin America—25c—25 maps and charts with explanations. Order all except the one * from The Baptist Book Store, Jackson, Miss. Order the one * from Foreign Policy Association, 22 East 38th St., New York.

Maps: Map showing Progress of Coffee, free, Bureau of Coffee Information, 51 W. 45th, New York.

Latin American Wall Map in 4 colors, 23x30 in.—25c.

Picture Map of South America, 30x50 in. to be colored—50s.

Order these two from Friendship Press, New York. On the Routes of the Flying Clipper Ships, free, 18x24, Pan-American Airways, New York.

Flags:

Silk flags, 4x6, of Brazil, Chile, Argentina, Uruguay—25c each. (Baptist Book Store, Jackson, Miss.) Cotton flags, 11x18 of Brazil, Chile, Argentina, Uruguay—25c each.

Set of the 21 flags of the American Republics, 2x3 in silk, \$1.35 the set. Order from American Flag Co., 73-77 Mercer St., New York.

Supplementary Book for the Young People to Read: Makers of South America—50c—for Y.W.A.

The Traded Twins—60c—for Intermediates.

Up and Down South America—60c—for Juniors. Little South Americans—50c—for Sunbeams.

Picture Geography of Brazil, of Chile, of Argentina, each 50c, for Juniors and Sunbeams. Order from Baptist Book Store, Jackson.

Other Helpful Supplies:

Beautiful album and set of 24 stamps which are views of the American Republics—15c.

Helpful packet of materials on South America—25c. Both album and packet from Division of Intellectual Cooperation, Pan American Union, Washington, D. C.

Free material from Office of Coordinator of Inter-American Affairs, Dept. of Commerce Building, Washington, D. C.

Stereoscope: A splendid new visual aid is the stereoscope for \$1.50 with beautiful colored films, 3 discs of seven different pictures each at \$1.00. Available pictures of South America are: No. 641, Santiago, Chile; No. 642, Valparaiso and Vina del Mar, Chile; No. 656, Buenos Aires, Argentina; No. 657, Buenos Aires, Argentina; No. 666, Santos and Sao Paulo, Brazil; No. 667, La Plata, Argentina. Order from Boulder Dam Visitors Bureau, Boulder City, Nevada. A lifetime object. Discs of other mission fields and home fields available, too.

The best prepared teacher is sure to get best results. Visual aids in teaching are the best. Avail yourself of many of the above materials and objects.

Request mission awards for your class members who take the course and pass the test. The older ones must read the book.

"When they know they care; when they care they pray; when they pray, they pay!"

Give a mission vision to young people through mission study books.

(FREE from Foreign Mission Board, S. B. C., Box 1595, Richmond, Va., a packet of helpful materials and pictures of our own missionaries and institutions upon request.)

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BIBLES FOR JAPANESE BAPTISTS

Some time ago a Japanese pastor in one of the internment camps in the United States, wrote asking Dr. Maddry for a Bible in the Japanese language. Several copies were sent him to be distributed in the camp. Mr. Hirano, himself, writes:

"The Bibles you sent to my fellow ministers here in camp were received by them a few days ago after they were censored. They were so glad to have them and expressed their hearty gratitude for your kindness and Christian love toward them. I know that these Japanese Bibles will become a blessing to them and their ministry here in this camp."

Another pastor writes:

"You can hardly imagine how glad I was when I received the wonderful gift from you—the Japanese Holy Bible. When I brought it to my room it was so attractive that a friend wanted to look at it, and immediately started reading at the very beginning of Genesis, and would not stop until he came well half of the book. I offered him my help for any difficulty hoping to catch another chance to speak of our God through the book of His words."

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MOTHER BERRY MEMORIAL PLANS ALMOST COMPLETE

Jackson, Miss., Sept. 25—From every section of Mississippi chairmen and other leaders in the Blue Mountain College endowment campaign for \$200,000, the first \$100,000 of which is to be used to endow the "Modena Lowrey Berry Professorship of Bible" at the college, gathered at the First Baptist Church Thursday to lay plans for accomplishing the objective by November 16, the 92nd anniversary of Mrs. Berry's birth, when her portrait will be hung in the Mississippi Hall of Fame.

Frank L. Fair, Louisville, general chairman, presided. He pointed out the timeliness of the movement. "Since the amount raised will be invested in government bonds," Mr. Fair stated, "those contributing to the memorial will be aiding our government's war effort, memorializing a noble woman and advancing Christian education."

Speakers were: Judge O. B. Taylor, Dr. D. A. McCall, Mrs. T. M. Hederman, Jackson; Dr. Lawrence T. Lowrey, Frank E. Skilton, Blue Mountain; Dr. P. I. Lipsey, Clinton.

Mr. Fair stated that the state of Mississippi has been divided into four zones of four districts each, and each district comprises four to seven counties. The four zone directors are J. F. Bailey, Jackson; C. J. Olander, Morgan City; O. P. Moore, New Augusta, and James B. Ray, Columbia.

District chairmen are: A. Boyce Adams, Clarksdale; Mrs. W. D. Cook, Meridian; Charles T. Walters, Laurel; Dr. R. N. Whitfield, Florence; Dr. Judson Chastain, Lexington; C. S. Thomas, Carrollton; J. B. Smith, Hollandale; J. R. Reedy, Eupora; W. L. Day, Louisville; J. D. Griffin, Picayune; Dr. W. H. Anderson, Booneville; E. L. Byrd, Holly Springs; M. J. Gilbert, Columbia; Virgil Ratcliff, Crosby; Dr. P. I. Lipsey, Clinton.

The next step in the organization, according to Mr. Fair, is to secure a chairman for each county in the state by October 1.

BAPTIST MISSIONS AMONG CHOCTAWS IN MISSISSIPPI

General Association, 1885-1918

E. I. Farr

Brother W. R. Moore, senior deacon of the Baptist church at Union, Mississippi, says that he stood on the bank of a stream in 1885 or 1886 and saw Brother N. L. Clarke baptize Seaborn Smith, Sr., and Jr., and a young squaw. This was in the Golden Grove community. A church was organized but later dissolved. The General Association by now had appointed Bro. N. L. Clarke to superintend the Indian work. An excerpt from the Executive Board report reads, "Brother Freeman reports 12 days, nine sermons, one church constituted, two ministers ordained, two deacons ordained, one minister licensed, 185 miles traveled. Brother Jackson reports 103 days, 40 sermons, 15 baptized, 1,000 miles traveled. Brother Williamson reports 59 days, 46 sermons, seven baptized, 454 miles traveled."

In 1889 the General Association showed \$200.82 for Indian Missions. Mention is made of a Choctaw church at Center Ridge in Newton county. That same year Georgia Dees Phillips wrote and read a most enlightening paper on "Indian Missions in Mississippi" before the Diaz Mission Society of Shubuta, Mississippi.

Union church (Choctaw) was received into the Harmony Association on October 26, 1889. Then we find this as part of the resolutions passed by the Association October 25, 1890: "Resolved, That the members of the Hopewell (Choctaw) church be instructed to sell their church property and keep the proceeds that this Association has donated to the building thereof and take it to the Nation with them to assist in building them a house of worship there."

At the present there is a Hopewell Choctaw Baptist Church with the organization date as 1889. At the first glance one would think this an error. But Deacon Allman Comby of Hopewell explains that the original Hopewell did sell their building and go to the Indian Territory about 1890. But the benches were given to the Union church, and Union changed her name to Hopewell later on in appreciation of the gift.

In the mission report to the Mount Pisgah Association in 1891 mention is made of nine Choctaw churches. From this distance of over fifty years the names of all these churches are not available. The most of the churches went in a body to the Nation by the time of the last exodus in 1902. So what we have today is not the aggregate of 125 years of mission work but the residue after many groups have gone West. For seventy years (1832-1902) much of the cream of Choctaw Christianity, leadership and strength, went to the new country. Although badly crippled, the work continued.

Among the white men serving as missionaries under the General Association were M. L. Clarke, Freeman and J. E. Chapman. Indians serving under the same association included Peter Folsom, Jesse Baker, James Brown, Elder Jack, Ben Williamson, Willie Jackson, Scott York, Isham Johnston, Charley Thomas, Thompson Baker, Billie Gibson, Seaborn Smith, Allen Willis, Jeff Jackson and Willie Jimmy.

A score of years later the General Association met at Richton and reported Scott York as missionary for three-fourths time. He was preaching at Conehatta (Newton county), Indian Town (Scott county), and Red Water (Leake county).

In the 1915 meeting there was reported seven churches and four ordained ministers. A plea was made for support of pastors and schools.

The General Association ended a long and fruitful period of Choctaw missions by turning the work over to the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention in 1918.

Sunday School Department

E. C. WILLIAMS, Secretary

MISS CAROLYN MADISON,

JOHN A. FARMER, Associate Secretary

Elementary Secretary

The New Year

"A flower unblown, a book unread,
A tree with fruit unharvested,
A path untrod, a house whose rooms
Lack yet the heart's divine per-
fumes;
This is the year that for you waits
Beyond tomorrow's mystic gates."

And so we have come to a new Sunday school year. A New Year! How fraught with significance! How gracious of God to permit us to see another year's beginning for our Sunday schools! Do we deserve it? On the basis of past performance are we entitled to another chance?

Well, God has given it to us anyway, and we now stand at the threshold of another year that through the goodness and help of God has unbounded possibilities, limitless opportunities, countless privileges and nameless blessings—if we will only enter in and possess them.

Home Cooperation Week

The third week of October has been set aside throughout our Southland as Home Cooperation Week. The purpose of this week is that the home and the church may draw closer together for the sake of the child. We are anxious that many of our Mississippi Sunday schools will observe this week.

H—ow shall we proceed?
O—rder the free literature.
M—ake a careful study of it and
E—arnestly prepare to carry out the suggestions in detail.

C—reate enthusiasm in the observance by

O—pportune presentation
O—f its importance.
P—ray for God's guidance in
E—nlisting every teacher to
R—each every home with
A—n earnest invitation
T—hat will arouse
I—nterest in the special week and
O—ffer opportunity for giving information

N—ecessary to whole-hearted cooperation in the observance leading to the

W—orking together of parents and teachers to

E—nlist all the children in Sunday school and to

E—nrich their experiences through a study of God's Word—

K—eeping ever in mind the importance of bringing them to an acceptance of Jesus as Saviour.

Free literature will be sent to you on request from our office here in Jackson. There are four pageants offered for use during this week. They are: For the Child, by Blossom Thompson; Homes, by Mrs. Lake Pylant; The Voice of the Future, and In the Way He Should Go. In ordering your literature state which pageant you would like to have.

Great Week Ahead

During the week of November 8-13 there will be in the Hinds-Warren Association a season for special emphasis on the Young People's, Adult and Extension departments of the Sunday school. It will be an associationwide program with the meetings

in the Calvary Baptist Church, Jackson.

We are indeed fortunate in having with us to direct the week's work, Mr. William P. Phillips, secretary of the Department of Young People's and Adult Sunday school work of the Baptist Sunday School Board, together with his two splendid and able associates, Mr. A. V. Washburn and Mr. Herman L. King. These are the three men who direct the Young People's Adult and Extension work in the entire South. How fortunate indeed is the Hinds-Warren Association to have these three experienced and capable Christian gentlemen in our midst that week to lead in the work that has such far-reaching possibilities.

We want every church in the entire association represented that week. Therefore, we are urging every pastor, superintendent, Young People's, Adult and Extension superintendent, and all teachers of Young People's and Adult classes to begin now to lay this matter on the hearts of their people and also to make special plans for attending the sessions each night that week.

Please save the date, November 8-13.

One Hundred Per Cent

Our heartiest congratulations to the leaders in the churches of George county in making their association 100% in Vacation Bible schools. This is getting to be a regular habit with them for they have done this same thing for the last several years. We appreciate such good work.

Standards

Pilgrim's Rest church, Panola Association, Rev. Harry A. Borah, pastor, Mr. W. C. Austin, superintendent, has joined our standard list. This is the first time in the history of that church that the Sunday school has been standard.

The Cradle Roll department of the Union Baptist Church, Dr. L. B. Cobb, pastor, and Mrs. Otis Foster, Cradle Roll superintendent, has also joined the standard ranks.

It always takes a lot of hard work and planning to standardize any school or unit thereof, so we are deeply grateful to these leaders for the good work in becoming standard.

New Libraries

New libraries have recently been organized in the First Baptist Church, Columbus, and the Southside Baptist Church, Jackson. We are always glad to know of any church organizing a library. It is one mighty good way to help forward the work because it brings good reading material in reach of the people of a church, many of whom do not have access to many good books.

Important Changes

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THE MODERN DANCE

The modern dance is one of Christianity's greatest enemies.

They say there is no harm in a nice, good clean dance. When men and women, boys and girls get out on the floor embraced in each other's arms, to whom they are not married, and dance to jazz music, they disobey the will of God.

The kindest thing we can say about the dance is that it is bad company. If that were all, that is sufficient reason why a Christian ought never go to a dance. The old square dance wasn't so bad if it had not been for the bad company that always flocked to it.

The modern dance of today is much worse. Some will say, "We just have a nice dance here in one of the nice homes." It doesn't stop at that. If it did, it is still the devil's way of deceiving you and just a starting place for the falling away of weak "Babes in Christ." The devil is the head of it. God wouldn't have any place there or part in it.

Some will ask what the Bible teaches against dancing and say the Bible says "there is a time to dance." The "time to dance" mentioned in the Bible, Eccl. 3:4, certainly doesn't mean to embrace the opposite sex as is done in the modern dance today. We find that dance is like the dance recorded in I Sam. 18:6, where "the women come out of all the cities of Israel singing and dancing to meet King Saul, with joy and instruments of music." And again, "David danced before the Lord with all his might; with shouting and the sound of the trumpet." II Sam. 6:14-15.

If you want some scripture against the dance, read the 32nd chapter of Exodus. They danced the ungodly

changes being made in all of the department and class standards, effective October 1, 1942.

It has been very evident for some time some changes were needed to improve the work of these units of our school. These have been made and new department and class standards are being printed and will be available for the new Sunday school year beginning October 1. You may write our department for these new standards. This is a mighty fine time to begin checking up and see just where we are so that we may be ready to make application for the standard award for our classes and departments at the earliest opportunity. The specific changes made for the various departments will be run in this column from time to time until all of them are given.

dance. Matt. 5:27-28 also shows how God looks upon sin that follows the modern dance.

Every preacher who preaches the word of God will tell you the dance is no place for a Christian. Our churches today are failing to do their duty by letting their members go to such places, take part in such ungodliness and sit still and do nothing about it.

Some of our church members will give these dances, inviting the young people to these temptations, and they are doing a much greater wrong than those who go to them.

What would you think if you would see your pastor or any other preacher on the dance floor with some pretty girl or another man's wife in his arms? I know what you would think. You would say that preacher wasn't what he should be and that the dance was no place for a preacher. Well, any place that is not fit for a preacher is not fit for any other Christian.

Once there was a young lady who said she was a Christian and said she could win souls to Jesus at the dance as well as any other place. The preacher told her she couldn't do it. So she tried it. At the dance she asked a young man if he was a Christian. He told her he was not and asked if she was. She said she was, and before she could say more, he asked her what she was doing at the dance if she was a Christian.

You see, your Christian influence is killed by going to the dance. You girls who honestly think you can do no harm and want to keep your character clean and good, just need to know some of the remarks made by some of the men and boys with whom you dance.

Some will say they dance and don't feel that they do any harm. You are wrong. You do harm whether you think so or not. That is one way the devil has of deceiving you. The 'nice clean dance' is a starting point for worse things that follow. If there had never been a dram drinker there would never have been a drunkard.

This is not written to condemn anyone; neither to cause enmity or strife; but I am only hoping that all who read it will realize the great wrong in taking part in the modern

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Thanks, Pastors

Two weeks ago we wrote to all the pastors enclosing a card asking for the name of one person in each church to whom we might send material from time to time to be given to different leaders in the church. We are to call these persons "the church correspondent." We have, in these two weeks, heard from nearly a third of the pastors, and they represent about one-third of the churches in the state. We feel that these church correspondents will help us no little in getting material to the proper persons in the churches. It seems well nigh impossible for us to keep a corrected mailing list of our leaders and so much of our mail does not reach the leaders of our unions. Through the church correspondent every leader can be contacted and given information regarding changes in plans, dates of meetings, suggestions for better work, etc. We thank you pastors who have responded to our request. You are helping your employee to do a better job.

Moss Organizes First B. T. U.

Happy are we to announce that the Moss church has set up a Baptist Training Union. This is their first Training Union and they enter upon the new venture with interest and hopefulness. Mrs. W. M. Justice was elected director and starts by ordering the free helps from the State Training Union office. These helps contain tracts for each officer, plus other tracts about the work in general. We welcome this new union into our growing circle.

Miss Opal L. Davis has been elected to the office of Training Union director of the Taylorsville church. She takes her job seriously and uses the service of the State Training Union Department for information and suggestions for a Standard Training Union. Congratulations both to the church and to Miss Davis.

Neshoba Elects Two Special Group Directors

The Neshoba Association Training Union, in an effort to prove their missionary interest and zeal, elected two special group directors, one to look after the Training Union interest among the Indians in the association, the other to look after the Training Union interest among the Negroes in the association. Mr. Cliborn and Mr. J. E. Jolly are these directors, respectively. Other interesting items from Neshoba are that three unions have recently been organized, one for the B. and P. W. Club members at Philadelphia, and two unions at County Line church, Ray Truett, pastor.

College Hill in Calhoun Organizes Intermediate Union
Thanks to Mrs. R. A. Crowell, di-

rector of the College Hill Union, Calhoun county, we report a newly organized union for that church. Mrs. A. E. Ferguson was chosen leader. In reporting this new union Mrs. Crowell orders diplomas for a group of Juniors who recently studied the Junior Manual. We are happy to note this splendid progress, and congratulate all concerned.

Awards Report For August

We are happy to report that during the month of August we issued 1,546 Training Union Study Course awards in Mississippi. These went into 44 of our 71 associations. Keep the good work going. When a person studies a book he is better fitted to do the task of a Christian church member. We are also happy to report 34 unions organized during the month of August. These are divided as follows: Story Hour 6, Junior 7, Intermediate 7, Young People 6, Adult 8. This reveals the fact that our churches are giving attention to the adults, the largest number of new unions are adults. The first union to start with in setting up the work in a church is the Adult Union. If you get the adults you have little trouble getting the other members of the family.

Gulfport First Elects Director

Miss Georgia Bradley has been elected to the office of Training Union director of First church Gulfport and starts her work by sending in a good word about the work and asking for suggestions. We are happy

to add her name to our list of directors, a list of very important leaders in our churches. What more responsible place could a person be elected to than that of having the responsibility of directing the training of an entire church membership in the duties of that membership?

October 26-30 Are Red Letter Days

Please take your calendar down and mark a RED line around five days, Oct. 26-30. These are the days we will hold our one-day rallies in the associations. They will not be full days, however, for the program is to begin with a supper-conference for the associational officers and pastors. This supper is to be from 6:30 to 7:30. At 7:30 a general conference will be held. In some instances the group will be divided for sectional conferences, others will have only one general conference. We will have one visiting worker this year instead of a team of several as we have had the past two years. This worker will lead in the discussions. Letters went out this week to associational directors and host church pastors regarding the meeting. We fully expect each of our associations to be fully represented at the meeting for their association. It is the time when most of our associations elect their officers for the coming year.

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RESOLUTIONS

Whereas, in the present great political crisis, a very determined effort is being made to stamp out light wines and beer and,

Whereas, the Council of Meridian Church Women have circulated petitions among the Christian people of Lauderdale county to call a special election whereby we may express our opinion by casting our ballot against said sale of light wines and beer.

Therefore, be it Resolved by New Hope Baptist church, Lauderdale county, in regular conference, September 6, 1942:

First: That we express our sincere gratitude and appreciation to the Council of Meridian church women, who launched an intensive educational campaign in Lauderdale county against light wines and beer.

Second: That we wish to express our appreciation for their services in circulating the petitions asking that a special election be held whereby the voters may have the opportunity of expressing their opinion on the sale of light wines and beer.

Third: That we extend our sincere appreciation to Misses Winnie Buckles and Ethel McKeithen of the state board of education, teachers of alcoholic education and beg God's blessings on them and their work over the state.

Respectfully submitted,

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NORTHERN, SOUTHERN BOARDS ELECT DR. BEALL SECRETARY FOR NEGRO SCHOOLS

Dr. Noble Y. Beall has been elected field secretary for Negro colleges and will be supported by the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention and the Board of Education of the Northern Baptist Convention. He hopes to nurture a program of encouragement and guidance for Negro Higher Christian Education.

The agreement between the Boards of the Northern and Southern conventions extends from May 1, 1942 to May 1, 1945. It is understood that the home office will be located in New York City and another office will be maintained in Atlanta, Ga. The Northern Board is to pay two-thirds of his salary and expenses and the Home Board of the Southern Convention is to pay one-third.

The election of Dr. Beall will eliminate the necessity of continuing Dr. Frank Smith as the Northern Board's "Special Representative for Negro Education."

Some of the objectives of Dr. Beall and the two boards will be:

1. To give all possible cooperation to the three-year program of correlated activities of Baptists in behalf of Negro educational institutions through cultivation of Baptists, North and South, white and colored.
2. To build a longtime program, seeking to bring cooperative Baptist groups to a realization of and an active participation in a worthy program of Christian education for Negroes.
3. To strengthen as far as possible the schools in their efforts to lead their students into a vital faith and a full acceptance of Jesus Christ as Lord and Master; to assist in guiding students into active church relationship; to challenge students to give their lives to those services which will most honor God and serve mankind; to encourage all efforts to train students for Christian leadership in inter-sectional, inter-racial and international service.
4. To give guidance and counsel to the schools in the matter of finances, budget control, and campaigns for raising funds; to seek larger gifts from Baptists and others for Negro education.
5. An increased appreciation of the needs of Negroes for Christian higher education.
6. A fuller recognition of Negro Baptist schools in the South, and of their distinctiveness of program and educational excellence.
7. An increased appreciation of the need for education of both the ministry and laymen to fulfill the manifest destiny of the denomination among Negroes.
8. A recognition of the trend in higher education among Negroes and the definite trend away from church and Christianity on the part of the educated.
9. An increased appreciation on the part of both white and Negro Baptists, North and South, of the objectives and goals of Christian education

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The report of the Missionary Society of the Lula Baptist Church was singled out for praise owing to its evident efficiency. Mrs. J. J. Dillard was president.

Instructions were given to those planning to attend the Bogue Chitto Association how to reach there by train, stating all trains would be met.

Sylvarena church was to entertain the Copiah Association, according to J. O. Rhodes, clerk.

Rev. G. C. Hodge was called as pastor of the Central church succeeding Rev. J. S. Deaton who entered the Seminary at Fort Worth. He baptized three young men his first Sunday.

The First church, Columbus, secured Rev. T. L. Holcomb as pastor, and the Pontotoc church was grieving because they were losing their beloved leader.

A Missouri pastor writes that he desires to "correspond with some good man who would like to trade pastorates with him." Comment was made that "down here churches were consulted, and not preachers, about pastorates."


for Negroes and democratic social development.

10. A deepening of the feeling that Christianity and democracy offer the Negro youth more than any other way of life, and that they are both compatible and supplementary.

The teachers in the Negro schools will be expected not only to teach but to reach out as shown by the following instructions:

"Each teacher-missionary is requested to: (1) Devote his time to ministerial education and religious work; (2) he is to teach authorized classes in the Bible and religious subjects for which credit is given by the college for a degree; (3) he is to hold two or more preachers' institutes in strategic places within the state where he works during the regular school year; (4) he is to conduct ministers' institutes during one month in the summer; (5) he is to enlist worthy God-called men and women to give their lives in definite religious service; (6) he is to make one or more visits to the leading Negro colleges in the state for the purpose of holding conferences with the Baptist students in those colleges with a view

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THE MODERN DANCE (Continued from Page Ten)

dance, and that all churches and Christians will take a bold stand against such.

Young people, if your name is on the church book, do not go to dances. If you have been going to them, ask God to forgive you and ask your church to forgive you, with a solemn promise not to go to another one; and just follow the leadership of the Holy Spirit and you will never go to another one, for the Holy Spirit will never lead you there.—E. C. Ward.

to enlisting them in definite Christian service; (7) he is to arrange for a period of at least one week during the college year for orientation in Baptist beliefs and policy under the supervision of the Home Mission Board; (8) he is to attend as many Baptist state, district and associational meetings as possible during the year, with the definite view of acquainting the Baptists of the co-operative efforts of white and Negro Baptists in Christian education; and (9) he covenants with the Home Mission Board, the administrative authorities of the school and Baptist leaders in his denomination to co-operate in all activities and plans for promotional purposes among the Baptist people of his race."

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- 2—Took a secretary from his job.
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- 4—Took a singer from the choir on the Lord's day.

What a cost to us!

What they did where they visited:

- 1—They kept some people from church that day.
- 2—Lessened the efficiency to that church, and lowered the spirituality of the family visited.

What they did to themselves:

- 1—Robbed their spiritual nature of a day of worship.
 - 2—Lessened their reward at the coming of Jesus.
 - 3—Made out of the Lord's day a day of pleasure.
- What they did to the Lord Jesus:
- 1—Failed to obey Him concerning the Lord's day.
 - 2—Failed to meet Him when He met with His people.
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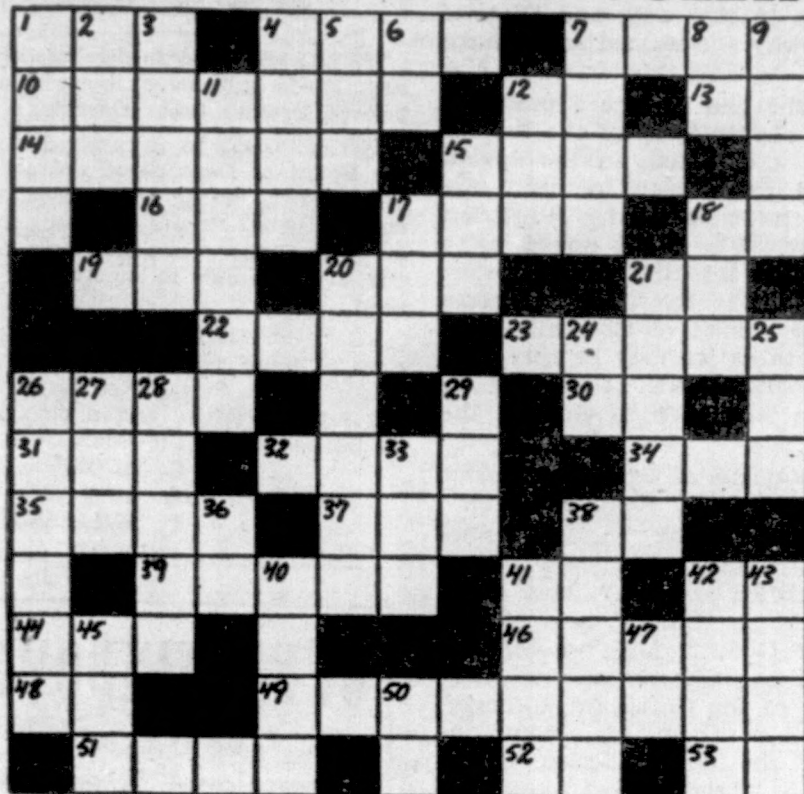
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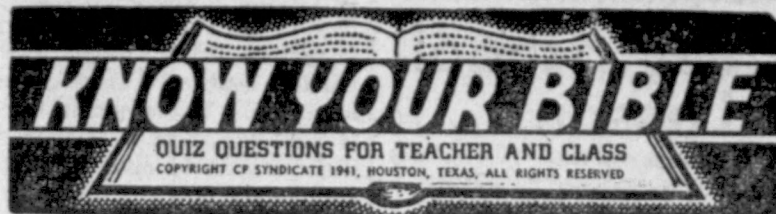
HORIZONTAL

- 1 Lava (Hawaiian) pl.
 - 4 "ye believe in God, believe . . . in me," John 14:1.
 - 7 "For in those . . . shall be affliction," Mark 13:19.
 - 10 ". . . are ye that weep now: for ye shall laugh" Luke 6:21.
 - 12 Compass point.
 - 13 Combining form indicating relation to an early period of time.
 - 14 Illustration.
 - 15 ". . . hearts failing them for fear," Luke 21:26.
 - 16 "Why . . . ye troubled," Luke 24:38.
 - 17 "Then shall . . . begin to say to the mountains, Fall on us," Luke 23:30.
 - 18 Flemish.
 - 19 "and upon . . . earth distress of nations," Luke 21:25.
 - 20 "and . . . every good piece of land with stones," II Kings 3:19.
 - 21 Calcium.
 - 22 "Come unto me, all ye . . . labour," Matt. 11:28.
 - 23 "for ye shall . . . and weep," Luke 6:25.
 - 26 "take . . . this cup from me: nevertheless, not what I will, but what thou wilt," Mark 14:36.
 - 30 French.
 - 31 "weep not . . . me, but weep . . . yourselves, and . . . your children," Luke 23:28.
 - 32 "And . . . shall fall by the edge of the sword," Luke 21:24.
 - 34 "Lord, when . . . we thee an hungred, or athirst," Matt. 25:44.
 - 35 Small Portuguese unit of money.
 - 37 Alderman.
 - 38 "And . . . that taketh not his cross, and followeth after me, is not worthy of me," Matt. 10:38.
 - 39 "but your sorrow . . . be turned into joy," John 16:20.
 - 41 "and ye shall . . . sorrowful," John 16:20.
 - 42 "When saw . . . thee a stranger, and took thee in," Matt. 25:38.
 - 44 "He casteth forth his . . . like morsels," Ps. 147:17.
 - 46 "and are heavy . . ." Matt. 11:28.
 - 48 Dutch.
 - 49 "but now he is . . . and thou art tormented," Luke 16:25.
 - 51 "if it be possible, let this cup . . . from me," Matt. 26:39.
 - 52 Weight.
 - 53 Postscript.
- Our text is 10, 16, 17, 22, 23, 31, 32, 39, 41 and 49 combined.

VERTICAL

- 1 First month of Hebrew sacred year.
- 2 ". . . these are the beginnings of sorrows," Matt. 24:8.
- 3 Hebrew word appearing after a number of verses in the Psalms.
- 4 Small African fox (zoology).
- 5 ". . . not your heart be troubled," John 14:1.
- 6 Northern state.
- 7 "let him . . . himself, and take up his cross," Mark 8:34.
- 8 "tarry . . . here, and watch with me," Matt. 26:38.
- 9 "My . . . is exceeding sorrowful, even unto death," Matt. 26:38.
- 11 "He that is . . . for a stranger shall smart for it," Prov. 11:15.
- 12 "Ye shall not . . . me henceforth, till ye shall say, Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord," Matt. 23:39.
- 15 Members of House of Representatives.
- 17 Make lace.
- 18 "Thou art not . . . from the kingdom of God," Mark 12:34.
- 20 Levitical city in Asher, I Chron. 6:74.
- 21 "bless them that . . . you," Matt. 5:44.
- 24 "and none . . . you asketh me, Whither goest thou," John 16:5.
- 25 "And ye . . . therefore have sorrow," John 16:22.
- 26 "neither let it be . . ." John 14:27.
- 27 ". . . unto you that are full," Luke 6:25.
- 28 "and why do thoughts . . . in your hearts," Luke 24:38.
- 29 Hydrostatics.
- 33 Measure of length.
- 36 Be quiet.
- 38 "sorrow hath filled your . . ." John 16:6.
- 40 Parts of a circle.
- 41 "when you see the south wind . . ." Luke 12:55.

Answer to Last Week's Puzzle



Can you answer the four Biblical questions below? One correct answer is passing; two are fair; three are good, and four perfect.

1. Where in the Bible is an expression of thanks applicable to all persons who preach the Gospel?
2. When you hear someone say, "Eat, drink and be merry," do you know where it originated?
3. A most fitting description of "jealousy" is found in the Bible. Do you know what it is?
4. Tabernacle is mentioned many times in the Bible. What is the meaning of the word?

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(Correct answer on page 15.)

RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED BY THE BRANDON CHURCH September 20, 1942

Whereas, the Brandon Baptist church feels a deep and growing concern for the welfare of our nation, because of the sale and use of alcoholic beverages within our country, and

Whereas at this critical stage in American history, it is necessary that our armed forces, as well as our civilian population be at maximum strength, physically, mentally and morally, and

Whereas it is a known fact that the use of alcoholic beverages impairs the mental, physical and moral effectiveness of individuals, and,

Whereas the conduct of our service men on foreign soil will be used by other nations as a guide in formulating opinions of our country and people.

Now, therefore, be it resolved:

1. That the Brandon Baptist church condemns the present practice of the use and sale of alcoholic beverages in our military camps.
2. That steps be taken immediately by those in authority to prevent the use and sale of alcoholic beverages within our country.
3. That the Rankin Bill, which will

- 42 "ye shall . . . and lament," John 16:20.
- 43 "that thou shouldest be for salvation unto the . . . of the earth," Acts 13:47.
- 45 "the . . . which my Father hath given me, shall I not drink it," John 18:11.
- 47 Doctor of divinity (L. Doctor Theologiae).
- 50 "not . . . will, but thine, be done," Luke 22:42.

soon come before the House and Congress and adopted.

4. That a copy of these resolutions be given most serious attention, be forwarded to our Mississippi Senators and Representatives and a copy sent to the Brandon News and The Baptist Record and a copy be spread upon the minutes of the church.

—BR—

"The prophecy was made that within 25 years there would not be left a single denominational school in the south. The 25 years have passed, and whereas Southern Baptists then had 21,000 in their schools, they now have 31,000." Thus said C. D. Johnson in giving the Education Commission's report.—Watchman-Examiner.

—BR—

The friends of Rev. D. H. Barnhill, brother of J. A. Barnhill of Hattiesburg, will be interested in the following note from the Baptist New Mexican: "Chaplain David H. Barnhill, formerly of Clayton, has been assigned to the 66th Medical Regiment at Camp Barkeley, Texas."

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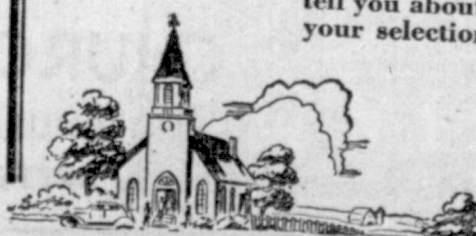
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Lesson for October 4

A TYPICAL CONVERSION AND THE
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Bible Lesson: Acts 16; Romans
5:1-11; I John 5:1-5

Introduction.

Read all the passages listed before reading this paper. The first portion of Acts 16 will give you the setting for Paul's ministry in Philippi. If you have access to Conybeare and Howson's "Life and Epistles of Saint Paul," read the great ninth chapter as a preparation for this lesson.

The coming of Paul and his party to Philippi was the introduction of Christianity into Europe, and the first conversion on the continent of Europe was the conversion of Lydia. Hers was a typical conversion.

I. The Time. Acts 16:13.

A Sabbath day. Among the Jews of Paul's day it stood for worship in the place to them that our Christian Lord's Day does to us. It was the day, then, upon which devout persons went to the place of worship. Whatever subjects of discussion with reference to origin and meaning may attach to the Sabbath Day in an academic discussion, you should remember that greater transactions for God occur upon the day set aside for worship in this country than upon any other day in the week. More people are saved and more big plans laid for the promotion of God's work on earth on the day appointed for worship than on any other. It was on this day that the little company of Christian workers fared forth looking for a place to speak for Him and someone to speak to. They found both in a place of prayer by the riverside. This was not a synagogue, but a place of prayer, four walls which likely had no roof above them, just a walled-in place where worshipers could be quiet and pray and worship undisturbed.

II. The Company. Acts 16:13.

"The women that were come together." I suppose there is no particular point to the fact that they were women. Maybe it is true that women were more eager to seek the face of God than their men were. I think I have seen cases in which this was true, though there is quite a bit of testimony now to the effect that a larger percentage of men are earnest in their religious professions and service than the women of their families. But these women were at the place of prayer because they were interested in the things that were to occur there, interested in religion, careful to have a tryst with God. They were devout, and whether they had been men or women, this would have made the difference, that they were interested in the matter of the worship of God. These women did not know the way of life, but they did the best they knew, they did seek God, they were willing to hear and heed His voice.

III. The Christian Workers. Acts 16:13.

"We." Paul, Silas, Timothy, Luke. What a company! All these four went out to a little meeting place where a few women congregated for prayer near the brink of a river. And these great ones went in to this little company and worshiped with them. Why not? They turned away from the

thronging multitude of the city that day to find an audience and a congregation in the gathering of a few earnest souls who were devoutly seeking God. These great ones showed themselves great in that they had the discernment to observe that one sincere heart is worth more to God and man than a multitude of the careless and unconcerned. Why are you going to Sunday school at all? Is it to seek for God? Is it to be with your friends and exchange tid-bits of gossip? Paul thought one honest heart a seedplot sufficiently large to hold the finest seed of the word of God. IV. The Message. Acts 16:14.

"The things which were spoken by Paul." What were they? The gospel. Can you imagine Paul as speaking anything else to people in a place of prayer on the Sabbath day? He spoke to them as was his custom. His story was the story of Jesus, of the prophecies concerning Him, of His life which fulfilled the prophecies, of His death for the sins of the people, according to the scriptures, of His burial outside the city wall, of His resurrection, of His ascension, of His meeting with Paul on the Damascus road, of His direction of Paul's life since that notable day. You may be sure he made an appeal on behalf of His Lord to these women, and that he assured them that this Jesus would save all of them who would accept Him as Savior and Lord.

V. The Response. Acts 16:14.

"A . . . woman named Lydia . . . one that worshiped God . . . whose heart the Lord opened." Get it straight at first that the Lord takes the initiative in every case. He opens the heart. He gives the grace which enables the hearer to attend to the spoken word of truth. All of which does not at all mean that God will force us to hear, even when we have set ourselves against it. But to those who strain the ears of the heart to catch the accents of the voice of God, He gives the enrapturing experience of the hearing. Thus Lydia heard.

The effect of such hearing as that she did result in her salvation. It is ever thus.

This salvation of her heart, which you may be sure was evidenced to her by her own conscience, led her to open profession of her faith. This profession she made in the act of

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baptism. I make no doubt that Paul told her that she needed to make this profession in this way, and that he told her why she needed so to make it.

When she had become a professed Christian, Lydia took up the further duties of a Christian in the sphere then and there open to her. She showed the missionaries Christian hospitality. We might spend some time together thinking over the profit which comes to the Christian home in having a man of God within its walls. I think we may be sure that Lydia's household was better for having these fine men of God in the midst of it.

VI. A Catalogue of Great Possessions of the Christian. Romans 5:1-10.

Read this great passage. Note what is here said as to those who have been "justified by faith." They have: 1. "peace"; 2. "access" into all the graces of God; 3. joy, "we rejoice," and that is the distinguishing characteristic of the Christian; 4. "hope," that enables them to account as trivial all the light afflictions of the present; 5. "steadfastness," and "approvedness"; 6. "love," and it is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Spirit.

VII. The Implications of the Exercise of Faith. I John 5:1-5.

Read this passage. 1. Our faith guarantees our regeneration. Turn to the gospel of John and read 3:1-18. There we are said to be born again, here we are said to be begotten of God. 2. Our response to the commandments of God is glad and bouyant, and the doing of these commandments is not grievous but joyous to us. 3. We are enabled in this faith to overcome the world. We can not overcome in any other power or by any other means.

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WHEREAS, God in His wisdom has seen fit to call home the son of our beloved Brother Oscar Carlisle;

THEREFORE, be it resolved that we, the Board of Deacons of Calvary Baptist Church, extend to Brother Stovall and family our sincere sympathy in their great loss and commend them to our Christ who is able to supply their every need.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of these resolutions be given the family and a copy to the Baptist Record for publication, and a copy spread on the records of the Board.

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Called and Accepted

L. D. Adler, chaplain, U. S. Army.
George Alexander, Story church, Banner Association, Okla.
Garland Anderson, Rock Creek, near Shawnee, Okla.
A. C. Archibald, Talbot Street church, London, Ontario.
Selby Aswell, Mt. Lebanon church to chaplain, U. S. Army.
W. R. Barnes, Gapway church, Marion Association, S. C.
Millard J. Berquist, Riverside church, Jacksonville, Fla.
Walter E. Bode, Boston Avenue church, Muskogee, Okla.
O. S. Brewer, Lake Creek church, Mangum, Okla.
E. W. Bloomquist, Baptist Temple, Youngstown, Ohio.
Donaciano Benjarano, First Mexican, Roswell, N. M.
O. T. Barnes, Woodsale, Houston, Texas.
A. L. Boltner, Shiloh, S. C.
D. W. Bolton, Converse, La.
H. D. Boyd, Transylvania, La.
A. A. Brady, First, Wheelwright, Kentucky.
C. W. Campbell, Clayton, Okla.
Cecil G. Carter, Gunpowder, Md.
L. C. Chandler, First Randleman, N. C.
R. E. Clyde, Field near Pamlico, S. C.
A. W. Connelly, Morgan's and Mt. Olivet, Strawberry Association, Va.
Morgan Cooper, Three Springs, Va.
W. F. Couch, Cabool, Mo.
Jack Cranford, Calvary church, Warren county, Miss.
W. E. Creswell, First, South Gate, Calif.

Resigned

Harold Lassiter, Capitol church, Oklahoma City, Okla.
Geo. B. Leathers, Mt. Pleasant, Pulaski, Ill.
W. A. Lockler, Cedar Grove, Leeds, Ala.
Hurley A. Low, Billings church, Okla.
F. J. Lukens, University church, Arlington, Va.
Ira D. McClung, First, Gray, Ga.
W. K. McClung, Spencer Memorial, Tampa, Fla.
Glendon McCullough, First, Hazlehurst, Ga.
Walter H. McKenzie, University, Austin, Texas.
Sam Malone, Los Lunas, N. Mex.
C. J. Merriman, Pleasant Hill, De Ridder, La.
L. D. Mitchell, First, Stephenson, Texas.
J. A. Morris, Easley, S. C.
W. J. Morris, Cabot, Ark.
W. P. Mugg, Broken Arrow, Okla.
S. M. Mulkey, Richland and Honey Grove, Texas.
A. Y. Napier, First, Cambridge, Md.
Roy S. Orrell, Oakwood, Richmond, Va.
Ross Partridge, Immanuel, Cobden, Ill.

Noah Phillips, Buffalo, Okla.
J. D. Poindexter, Callahan, Fla.
J. T. Polar, Big Cane, Morrow, La.
Earl W. Powell, assistant pastor, First, Birmingham, Ala.
R. A. Pryor, Miami, Texas.

Died

L. R. Byrd, West, Texas.
J. M. Buckaloo, Mt. Olive, Ala.
J. E. Fulton, Frankfort, Ky.
A. J. Kroelinger, Clearwater, Fla.
Henry Albert Myers, Mt. Vernon, Ill.
I. N. Penick, Jackson, Tenn.
Z. W. Pigg, Sherman, Ky.
Joseph C. Rogers, Bushnell, Fla.

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THE ORDINATION OF BROTHER CHARLES WHITTEN

Upon the request of the Hopewell Baptist church of the Winston county Association, the Clinton Baptist church examined and ordained Brother Charles Whitten to the full work of the Gospel Ministry. The Hopewell church had extended a call to Brother Whitten, who is a student at Mississippi College and a member of the Clinton church.

A very thorough examination was held and questions pertaining to such matters as his experience of conversion, his call to the ministry, his doctrinal beliefs, and his purpose to give himself unselfishly to the work of the ministry. The council was thoroughly satisfied and recommended him to the church for ordination, which service was held September 23.

At the Service of Ordination three messages were brought. First: "The Preacher as a God-Called Man," by Rev. R. A. Eddleman; second, "The Preacher and His Message" by Rev. J. L. Sullivan; third: "The Preacher's Place in the World of Today" by Dr. P. I. Lipsey. The prayer of ordination was led by Dr. A. A. Kitchings.

Besides the aforementioned, the following brethren participated in the service: Rev. Leroy Boland, Dr. H. E. Spell, Prof. J. R. Hitt, Rev. Harry Hannah, Rev. DeVee Hillman, Rev. Percy Renick, Rev. Clark McMurray, Rev. Curtis Askew, Rev. H. D. Booth, Rev. Carroll Izard, Rev. Charles Jolly, Rev. Billy Watson, Rev. Troy Prince, Rev. A. E. Smith, Rev. Don Jones, Rev. J. T. Holston, Rev. Milstead, Rev. E. Y. Scileau, Rev. J. J. Horton, Rev. Earl Waldrup, Rev. Hubert Hammett, Rev. Grayson Miller, Rev. Lewis Curtis, Rev. Tom Ashby, Rev. Tom Pfeifer, Rev. Jewel Wood, Rev. Ted Clark.

JAMES L. SULLIVAN, Pastor, Clinton Baptist Church.

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Kentucky, according to reports is going dry faster than any other state in the Union. The voting average is one county going dry every six weeks. Now 59 out of 120 counties have gone dry.

BSU AT ELLISVILLE OVERCOMES HANDICAPS

The Jones County Junior College BSU began its work this year under a good many handicaps. However, most of these handicaps have been overcome and the work is moving along rapidly. There had been several vacancies but most of these places have been filled.

The council members are: Willodean McDonald, president; Lyntene Keys, secretary; Mary Faith Harkin, treasurer; Ruby Lee Watkins, reporter; Lois Jones, YWA representative; Lee Goodsin, Sunday school representative; Charles Keys, Baptist Student representative; Quavis Bonner, extension chairman; Maxine Huff, noon-day prayer meeting director.

The Council is very fortunate in having two very capable faculty advisers. They are Miss Thelma Simmons and Mr. S. C. Wallace. The council is fortunate also in having Dr. W. E. Green as its pastor.

Miss Edith Sue Williams is the new BSU secretary. Miss Williams is a graduate of Mississippi college. Her inspiring leadership has meant much to the JCJC campus already.

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BLUE MOUNTAIN COLLEGE B. S. U. HOLDS RECEPTION

The B. S. U. reception is always one of the most important events in the activities of Rush Week at Blue Mountain College. This year's reception, given in Broach Hall, was unusually lovely. Wind-mills, tulips, neat white fences, and rustic wells transformed the ground floor into a Dutch garden. Members of the B. S. U. Council, dressed as Dutch boys and girls, served punch, cookies and favors to the guests.

The receiving line was composed of Miss Ellen Edens, BSU president; Miss Lucy Carlton Wilds, student secretary; Dr. and Mrs. L. T. Lowrey; Mrs. James B. Leavell; Dr. and Mrs. E. H. Cox; Dr. and Mrs. W. C. Tyler; Dr. and Mrs. J. S. Riser, Jr., and Miss Ruby Talbot, BSU faculty advisor.

Virginia Jenkins, BSU Reporter.

Answers To Know Your Bible

Feature on page 13.

1. (Expression of thanks): You will find it in I Timothy 1:12.
2. (Jealousy): It is the last part of a quotation in Song of Solomon, 8:6.
3. (Eat, drink and be merry): The quotation is part of verse in Ecclesiastes 8:15.
4. (Tabernacle): The word "tabernacle" is derived from the Latin "taberna," which means "hut" or "common shelter." It also refers to the covering for the Ark of the Covenant carried by the children of Israel.

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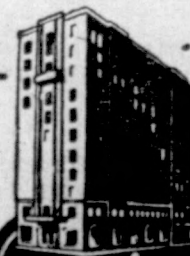
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CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

S. E. Travis

(Published at the request of the Lebanon Association.)

This is one of our most important subjects, but with our allotted time and space, we must be very brief. We fancy ourselves thoroughly sold on Christian Education. We are all familiar with the four colleges owned by our denomination: Mississippi, Blue Mountain, Woman's and Clarke Memorial.

Our colleges are among the denomination's greatest and most indispensable assets. Mississippi and Blue Mountain Colleges were founded by "our fathers" and have enjoyed long and fruitful careers. Through the years Mississippi College has trained and sent forth great men and Blue Mountain College great women to the four corners of the earth. The Woman's College is suspended for the time being because of adverse circumstances beyond anyone's control, but she has done a great work, is one of our denomination's greatest and most indispensable assets, and should be reopened as soon as practicable and continued on her useful, fruitful career. Clarke Memorial College is operated independently, but is doing a great work and should be retained by our denomination.

Our colleges are all small and poor and greatly in need of increased equipment and endowment. Perhaps the Master has kept them small and poor that He might keep them pure and strong in the faith. Many church colleges in this country started out small and poor, and later became large, rich and infidelic. Neither the individual nor the Christian college can serve God and mammon.

We need to rally to our colleges as never before with our money, our patronage, our influence, and to maintain them within the boundaries set by "our fathers." Adjustments necessitated by war conditions should be limited to the duration. The Convention should not authorize fundamental changes, except through timely and exhaustive consideration. Our constituency contains prospective students in sufficient numbers to keep all of our colleges overflowing all the time. We err greatly when we do not patronize our colleges.

Perhaps our greatest need is to unfool ourselves. We are not really sold on Christian Education. We are not alive to its transcendent far-reaching importance. We need to re-examine the subject fundamentally, and to

Miss Frances Fraser of Memphis, Tennessee, graduate of Blue Mountain College, teacher of freshman English for the last two sessions, who is now the head of the church library promotion department of the Baptist Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention.



place the emphasis where it really belongs.

The founders of this republic appreciated the value of Christian Education. The first schools in this country were church schools, in which the Bible was a leading text book. Religion and morality were regarded as indispensable to a free government, and we now enjoy the natural fruitage, absolute separation of church and state, untrammelled religious freedom, and the most marvelous government of all time.

Christian Education is doubly important in our time. The Bible is now excluded from many of our secular schools, ignored in many others, and its use limited in many of our state schools. The Bible is the only permanent text book. It is immutable, unchangeable, applicable alike to all the people of all time. The Bible is the only infallible guidebook of life. In our Christian colleges only is the Bible a required text book. Our Christian colleges are therefore remaining bulwarks of our Christian civilization.

The transcendent importance of Christian Education is emphasized and demonstrated by existing world conditions. Education apart from and independent of God and His Bible is destructive, not constructive. Education apart from and independent of God and His Bible, leads to the monstrous doctrine of the survival of the strongest. Such education is the devil's instrument to destroy human freedom and our Christian civilization. We see such education gone to seed among the Axis powers today. They are using all the inventions and achievements of mankind through the ages to destroy our Christian civilization and to enslave the world.

Christian Education is therefore one of the world's greatest assets of our day. There is no perpetuity apart from God and His Bible. Our Christian colleges stand for God and His Bible. From this source only comes the "Golden Rule," the practice of the

EVON STEGALL

Little Evon Stegall was called away to be with Jesus August 21, 1942. She was buried in Concord cemetery in Rankin county. Rev. Miller from Morton conducted the funeral.

Thou art gone, our darling Evon,
To that bright and happy land,
Where pain or sorrow never comes,
And there you'll hear the angel band.

Hear them singing songs so sweet,
That seemed to ease your pain while here,
We know you'll be happy until we meet,
Singing with all our loved ones there.

We shall miss you day and night,
And long to see your sweet face and smile,
But we know God doeth all things right,
And will guide us through the weary mile.

Your stay with us was short and filled with pain,
Your precious body dwindled away,
But praise the Lord our loss is heaven's gain,
And we will meet you some sweet day.

Aunt Eleanor Gray.
—BR—

THINGS YOU JUST CAN'T DO

Sow bad habits and reap good character.

Sow jealousy and hatred and reap love and friendship.

Sow dissipation and reap a healthy body.

Sow deception and reap confidence.

Sow cowardice and reap courage.

Sow neglect of the Bible and reap a well guided life. —Selected.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL AND B. T. U. ATTENDANCE

	SS	BTU
Wallerville	71	52
Double Springs (Webster)	32	
Griffith Jackson	627	305
Louisville First	323	80
Cross Roads (Webster)	96	
Crystal Springs	267	130
Jackson First	830	289
Jackson Calvary	821	244
New Albany	343	85
Neely Memorial	32	32
Bethlehem	52	84

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Texas Baptists are putting on a debt-paying campaign this fall. Most of the presidents and faculty members of the Baptist schools have offered their services for this campaign.

"Good Samaritan," the brotherhood of mankind. From this source only can we expect the perpetuity of our government and of our Christian civilization.

We cannot afford to close, curtail or cripple our Christian colleges. We must enlarge and support them. World War No. 2 demonstrates beyond every peradventure of doubt that Christian Education is indispensable to the perpetuity of our Christian civilization. Dictators who have rejected God and His Bible, have always come to naught. God and those who stand for Him and His Bible will win World War No. 2. This is as certain as that there is a God in heaven, and the sooner God's people realize this and look to Him, the quicker and the greater the victory.

We cannot get away from the fact that Christian Education is primal, indispensable, to the perpetuity of our free government and Christian civilization.



RESOLUTIONS

WHEREAS, God in His wisdom has seen fit to call home the father of our beloved Brother W. D. R. Stovall:

THEREFORE, be it resolved that we, the Board of Deacons of Calvary Baptist Church, extend to Brother McGahey and family our sincere sympathy in great great loss and commend them to our Christ who is able to supply their every need.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of these resolutions be given the family and a copy to The Baptist Record for publication, and a copy spread on the records of the Board.

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"Ease is the bans of churches and individuals. There is no place for Christians who take it easy. The world needs us to the maximum of what we can give the world."—George W. Truett.

A Plea and a Plan

We plead with our readers to send to their United States representatives and senators petitions urging that the Sheppard Bill, that is Senate Bill No. 860, be passed and passed immediately. This is the bill providing safeguards against liquor and prostitution in our camps and a generous safety zone about them. This bill is in a pigeonhole, but if all the Christians in our country would make their positions known to their senators and representatives, it would be brought out of the pigeonhole and, beyond a doubt, it would be passed. Let pastors and prominent people of our churches confer, and let petitions go in from every church in the land. We can never win this war with liquor flowing like a river through our land. We can never win this war while exposing our young men to the terrible temptations which now surround our camps.

Good Sample Letter to Write

Here is a good sample letter which in substance can be used to write to either or all of the above public officials referred to:

Hon. _____, Washington, D. C.

I earnestly urge that you work for and use your influence for helping secure the passage of the Sheppard bill, Senate bill No. 860, to prohibit the sale of alcoholic beverages in or near all army camps and military establishments. Sober soldiers make better fighters than drunken soldiers. Let's keep all alcoholic liquors away from them.

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